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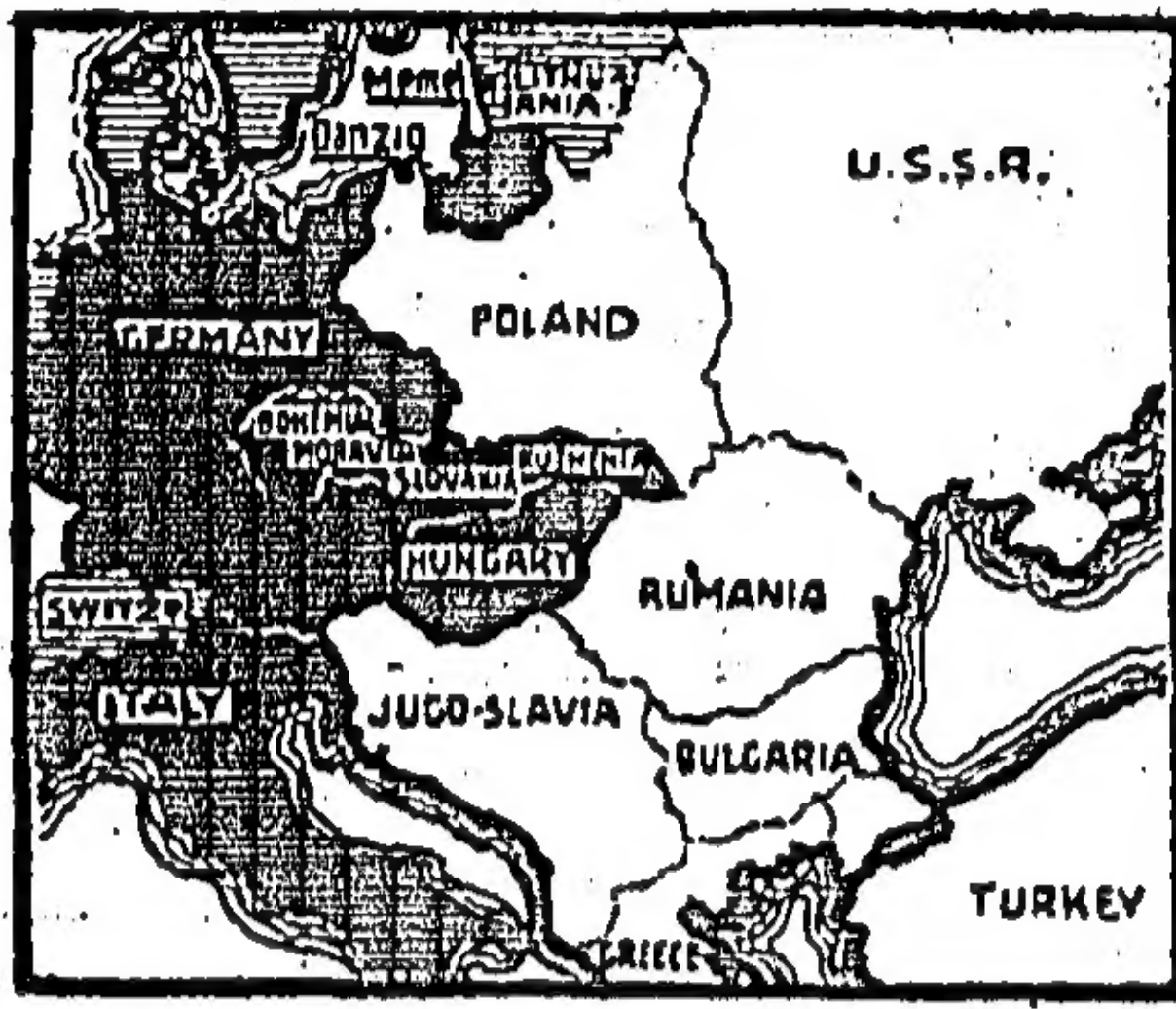
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ITALY USING INFLUENCE TO END IMPASSE



WARSAW, May 5.
COLONEL JOSEPH BECK, the Polish Foreign Minister, received an extraordinary ovation at the close of his speech. (The speech is fully reported on Page Nine).

Ukrainian Deputies joined in the applause when the resolution approving the speech was carried.

General Zeligowski, who seized Vilna for Poland, jumped from his seat and ran to shake hands with Colonel Beck, whose policy he has hitherto opposed.

No representatives of the Axis Powers were present in the diplomatic gallery.

In the lobbies afterwards, the speech was regarded as moderate but firm, and that it expressed Poland's desire for peace, but with honour.

BIGGEST STRIKE IN U.S. HISTORY

NEW YORK, May 5.—The most extensive coal strike in the nation's history began to-day, affecting a total of 466,000 miners while the Government struggled to prevent the development of one of the most bitter labour struggles in recent times.

Coal shortages are being more acute, threatening industry and the essential services in scores of cities.

The strike does not affect the 100,000 hard coal miners who have agreed to extend their negotiations until next week. —United Press.

NEW JAPANESE THREAT

May Demand Transfer Of S'hai Settlements

SHANGHAI, May 6.
"IT WOULD sound unreasonable to talk about military occupation of the International Settlement and the French Concession in Shanghai, but none can tell whether the force of circumstances will not compel Japan to demand temporary transfer of their administration if her moderate and reasonable representations are not heeded by the Settlement and Concession authorities," the "Asahi Shimbun" declares.

"AM I MY BROTHER'S KEEPER?"

Japan Denies Responsibility

SHANGHAI, May 5.
AN OFFICIAL Japanese spokesman to-day indicated that Japan hereafter will not assume responsibility for the bombing of foreign property, including consulate buildings, in the unoccupied areas.

He said Japanese pilots are authorized to bomb any area in which there are Chinese defences, regardless of the proximity of foreign property and that foreigners will be responsible for keeping Chinese defences at a safe distance from their property.

He said the bombing of the consulates in Chungking was to be regretted, but that the Japanese pilots sighted anti-aircraft guns nearby which they attacked in "self defence." —United Press.

Franco (or Italy) Can't Decide

LONDON, May 5.—It is understood that the date of the Madrid victory parade has been fixed for May 21.

As the date appears to have fluctuated considerably, authorities do not regard it as a "further postponement." —Reuter.

Recognition Of Slovakia

BRATISLAVA, May 5.—With the recognition de facto of Slovakia, "Reuter" learns that Mr. Peter Pares (Reuter) learns that Mr. Peter Pares has been appointed British Consul at Bratislava, with the concurrence of the Slovak Government.

Mr. Pares has been in Bratislava for some time. He previously held an exequatur as from the Czechoslovak Government. —Reuter.

His Excellency the Governor, in accordance with instructions received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has been pleased to recognize Mr. Cedric Blake provisionally and pending the issue of His Majesty's Exequatur as Honorary Vice-Consul of Sweden at Hongkong.

Statesmanlike

A Paris report says that Colonel Beck's speech there is regarded as moderate, firm, and statesmanlike.

Passages relating to Danzig are interpreted as a rejection of the German proposals, but conveyed in such a way that it would be difficult for anyone to consider them provocative.

The hope that Germany will take advantage of the conciliatory tone of the speech and reach an amicable settlement with Poland, is reinforced by reports that Italy is using her influence towards such a settlement.

It is thought that the firmness of the speech, coupled with the recent Franco-British declarations, reaffirming support in the event of aggression should make it clear to Germany that the democracies are not bluffing, and that if she attempts a new Baltic adventure on the lines of Czechoslovakia, it will mean a European war.

Rome Warning

A Rome report says that Signor Gayda comments on Colonel Beck's speech in the "Giornale d'Italia," in which he warns Poland against adopting an "exaggerated attitude in opposition to Germany." He advises Poland to consult only her own interests, and not allow them to be sidetracked by the contingent interests of others.

Signor Gayda reminds Poland that it was through the personal intervention of Signor Mussolini and Italy's action that the problems of Teschen and a common frontier with Hungary were resolved in Poland's favour.

"Italy simply and frankly invited the Polish Government to examine, and then to make a responsible decision on a problem which has been open since 1919, and which is now reaching a decisive stage." —Reuter.

Polish Preparations

Warsaw, May 5.
Immediately after the Foreign Minister had delivered his speech a cheering Parliament took the first step in conferring dictatorial powers on the President for the duration of the emergency period by submitting emergency decrees for approval.

As Colonel Beck concluded his speech, deputies shouted "Long Live Moscicki! Long Live the Polish Republic!"

The Polish press hailed the speech as being "dignified and calm" and congratulated the Foreign Minister.

The leader of the Opposition said "The entire nation stands behind this speech." —United Press.

German Reaction

BERLIN, May 5.
In a statement to foreign Press correspondents, the German News Bureau claims that Colonel Beck had completely disregarded "Danzig's right of self-determination."

The population of Danzig, the News Bureau states, must decide the future of the Free City.

Poland cannot claim influence over Danzig merely because the Free City stands at the mouth of a river flowing through Poland.

A special aeroplane carried the full summary of Colonel Beck's speech to Berchtesgaden where it is understood Hitler will confer with his Foreign Minister.

MILITARY ALLIANCE REFUSED

BRITAIN REJECTS SOVIET OFFER

LONDON, May 5.
THE CABINET Foreign Affairs Committee has approved a memorandum informing Soviet Russia that Britain at present cannot accept Russia's request for a tri-power military alliance.

REPLY TO REICH NOTE

Polish Memorandum For Hitler

WARSAW, May 5.
THE POLISH memorandum replying to the German note denouncing the German-Polish agreement of 1934 was handed to the Ambassador to-day.

It states that the Polish Government had foreseen that the difficulties experienced by the League of Nations in administering Danzig would create a confused situation which must be clarified in the interests of Poland and Germany.

After stating that the Polish Government always considered its obligations were based on the German-Polish declaration of 1934, the memorandum proceeds: "For several years the Polish Government has given the German Government to understand that it is possible to proceed with sincere conversations on this subject. However, the German Government has only repented of the Danzig problem should not interfere with German-Polish relations. Moreover, the German Government had on more than one occasion given the Polish Government assurances on the subject of the free city of Danzig."

Not Incompatible

The Polish memorandum rejects the thesis that the Anglo-Polish understanding is incompatible with the Polish-German non-aggression pact, which, it says, Hitler had no right to denounce.

The memorandum adds that if the German Government attaches any value to the drawing up in contractual form good neighbourly relations, the Polish Government is ready to consider suggestions which will take account of the Polish view. —Reuter.

Terms Not Acceptable

While Colonel Beck has left the way open for negotiations, it is strongly doubted here whether Hitler will negotiate on the terms indicated by Colonel Beck.

The German press has given an indication of the Reich's course: with a new campaign reporting anti-German "outrages" at Posen where "the crowd burned an effigy of Hitler and shouted 'Down with Hitler!'"

Despite Colonel Beck's careful avoidance of a provocative tone, observers here have detected a stiff note of resistance in his speech, although it is believed that he has avoided provoking immediate German action.

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RECENT PHOTOGRAPH of Their Majesties the King and Queen, who leave by the Empress of Australia to-day for Canada and the United States.

LONDON, May 5.
EVERYTHING IS now in readiness for the departure of the King and Queen on their visit to Canada and the United States from—Portsmouth to-morrow aboard the Canadian Pacific liner, Empress of Australia.

The Royal party will number thirty. Lady Nunburn-Holme and Lady Katharine Seymour will be ladies-in-waiting. Lord Airle will be Lord Chamberlain, and the King will have two secretaries and two eunuchs.

The Empress of Australia left Southampton to-day for Portsmouth.

Immediately Their Majesties go aboard, the White Ensign will be flown. It is believed this will be the first occasion that a merchant ship has flown the White Ensign when not commissioned.

Russian Fears

Mr. Chamberlain now awaits the Soviet reaction. In the hope that it will offer a clue as to whether a change of Soviet foreign policy is involved by the resignation of M. Litvinoff.

The British reply emphasises that Russia would be expected to participate in the anti-aggression front only after Britain and France were already aiding oppressed nations.

In this manner Britain is attempting to convey Russian fears that Russia might be involved alone while Britain and France remain aloof.

The reply also indicates Britain's unwillingness to enter a direct military pact because of the probable effect in Japan and the anti-Bolshevik States in Europe. —United Press.

Instructions To Envoy

LONDON, May 5.
Instructions to the British Ambassador to Moscow regarding the British reply to the Soviet Government's proposals will be dispatched very shortly, says "Reuter's" diplomatic correspondent.

Soviet Parliament Convoked

MOSCOW, May 5.—The U.S.S.R. Supreme Council, namely the Soviet Parliament, has been convoked for May 25. —Reuter.

Baltic States Out

LONDON, May 5.
Mr. R. A. Butler, in answer to a question in the House of Commons to-day, stated that the Government did not at present contemplate including the Baltic States of Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia in any British guarantee of mutual aid pact. —Reuter.

Deadlock Reached

TOKYO, May 5.—The negotiations between London and Moscow have been rendered extremely difficult by the Soviet Union's insistence on the insertion of the Far Eastern provision in the proposed military alliance, according to information reaching influential quarters here.

It is understood that the Soviet Union apparently foresees that Britain will eventually effect a compromise with Japan regarding the Far Eastern issue. —Domei.

4,000 DIE

"United States" reported at noon yesterday that rescue work is being carried out frantically following Thursday's disastrous raids.

It is now estimated that casualties may reach 4,000.

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Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has granted a million yuan to be used by the International Commission. —United Press.

ZBW Broadcast Of Departure

ZBW, the Hongkong Broadcasting Station, has relayed from Daventry a description of the departure of Their Majesties from Portsmouth to-day on the Empress of Australia.

It is expected that the relay will commence at 9.10 p.m. Hongkong Time, but an announcement will be made from ZBW at 8 p.m. confirming this time.

The White Ensign is the only flag from the viewpoint of etiquette, which can be flown with the Lord High Admiral's flag, which will be flown from the liner's foremasthead. The Royal Standard will be at the main-masthead, and the flag of the Canadian Pacific Railway will be at the jackstaff.

H.M.S. Repulse will accompany the liner part of the way across the Atlantic.

Only one English and one Canadian special correspondent with one photographer will be allowed to travel with the Royal party, but a whole host of British and American journalists will assemble at the places where Their Majesties will stay to fulfil their engagements.

Their Majesties' last week before sailing has been a very busy one, including their presence at the Cup final at Wembley, dinners at the residences of the High Commissioner for Canada, Mr. Vincent Massey, and the American Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Kennedy, visits to the music hall where the "Lambeth Walk" is a popular feature of the programme, and to the Queen's Hall to see Toscanini conduct a Beethoven programme.

They also paid a visit to the King's aged great-uncle, the Duke of Connaught, who was a former Governor-General of Canada.

To-night they are spending the evening quietly at Buckingham Palace with their two daughters, who will go to Portsmouth to bid farewell to their parents to-morrow.

The Queen devoted many hours to the dressmaker's attention, but no one knows the secrets of her dresses until she wears them. —Reuter.

Clouds Repel New Raids

ALL COMMUNICATION with Chungking appears to be interrupted this morning.

The last message received by the "Telegraph" was a "United Press" despatch filed at noon yesterday.

It reports that air raid alarms were sounded twice during the morning, but up to that time no Japanese planes had appeared.

But a somewhat ominous communique has been received from Japanese sources in Shanghai.

It reports that forty Japanese planes have returned to their base after carrying out another large scale raid on the war-time capital yesterday afternoon.

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LATEST

"United Press" has re-established communication with Chungking. A message from the "U. P. Correspondent," lodged at 7 p.m., states that Japanese raiders appeared over the city, but dropped only handbombs. Chungking enjoyed a respite from bombs because the clouds hindered them.

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Eviction Law Extended

On June 1, 1939, an emergency meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council accepted and passed through its final stages an Ordinance preventing the eviction of tenants. The Ordinance was dated to operate until June 1, 1940.

A notice issued in to-day's Government Gazette extends the operation of the Ordinance until June 1, 1940.

When passed, the Ordinance was held to contain provisions which, it was hoped, would avoid the necessity for introducing rent restrictions. The Attorney-General pointed out that the Courts would be able to delay possession, and both landlords and tenants would be able to arbitrate before a statutory committee.

The Ordinance provides that the Government may establish reference committees to which questions concerning the rent, character, or condition of dwelling houses can be referred. An appeal lies from the decision of a reference committee on any question submitted to it by the tenant or landlord.

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Imperial Airways Celebrates 15th Birthday

Britain Takes Lead In Aviation

(By Our Aviation Correspondent)

I AM ABLE to reveal a fascinating story of Britain's lead in commercial aviation, in the fact that the Hongkong public get their letters from the Homeland in six days. It is the fifteen years history of the Imperial Airways Company, largest air-line in the world.

Daily giant flying-boats of latest design and pattern carry the air banner of Imperial Airways over desert and ocean, over high mountains and deep valleys, over monsoon-swept coasts and storm-ridden landing-fields.

Recently without any show of ostentation, without the full-blown publicity methods of other air companies, the British national airway celebrated its fifteenth birthday.

Few of us in Hongkong were privileged to witness those early days of the pioneer work, and it is mainly for this reason that the history of this company makes such interesting reading.

Formed in 1924

Imperial Airways was formed in 1924 in pursuance of an agreement with Government, and acquired the air transport businesses previously carried on by four existing companies, with the object of developing the cross-Channel air services previously operated by those companies and of extending the company's activities to all parts of the British Empire.

The following figures give an overall view of the development of air transport by Imperial Airways since its inception:

Year	Route Miles	Mileage Flown
1925	1,760	853,042
1926	2,338	867,075
1927	9,374	1,295,948
1928	14,158	2,354,176
1929	19,102	4,569,718
1930	21,403	6,223,908

Subsidies Paid

The above development has been achieved, it is confidently claimed, at a lower cost to the State than for any comparable development anywhere else in the world. The subsidy received by Imperial Airways during the first 14 years of existence is as follows:

Year	£	1937,000
1925	£	467,513
1926	£	561,556
1927	£	581,707
1928	£	535,160

Foreign Subsidies

The total subsidies from 1924 to 1937—prior to the introduction of the Empire Air Mail Scheme—amounted to a total of £4,500,000. The Cadman Committee report issued in March 1938 contained the words, "We emphasize that British Civil Aviation cannot compete with subsidised foreign aviation unless it is comparably subsidised." The civil aviation vote at that time had already been increased from just over half a million in 1924 to £1,500,000 in 1937. As a result of the recommendations of the Cadman Committee the sum was increased in 1938 to £3,000,000. Compare this with the 4½ millions of subsidy received over 13 years, an average of about £348,000, or just over one-tenth of the amount now to be provided.

In the eight years 1926-34, the United States subsidised American aviation to the extent of £25,000,000. Compare the subsidy paid to Imperial Airways also with that paid to the aircraft operating companies of other nations.

Year	£	1937
U.S.A.	£	24,392,520
France	£	1,195,532
Germany	£	1,036,306
Italy	£	771,140

Empire Progress

The main stages of Imperial Airways' progress are marked by the inauguration of new services. Only the more important events are included in the following list:

1924 Imperial Airways formed. Services to Paris, Brussels, Cologne, Basle and Zurich.

1925 Egypt—India route surveyed.

1926 Egypt—Iraq service established.

1929 Egypt—Iraq service extended to India. Trans-Mediterranean service established.

1930 Cairo—Capetown route surveyed.

1931 London—Central Africa service established. Experimental air mail to Australia.

1933 London—India service extended to Singapore.

1934 London—Singapore service extended to Australia. London—Capetown service became twice weekly.

1935 London—Singapore service became twice weekly. London—Prague—Vienna—Budapest service began.

1936 Khartoum—West Africa service established. Penang—Hongkong service established. London—Australia service became twice weekly.

1937 Bermuda—New York service. Empire Air Mail to Africa. Survey flight from Australia to New Zealand.

1938 Empire Air Mail to Australia.

Staff Increased

Almost every year the Company's history has, therefore, seen some new and important development in the

routes operated or services established.

The establishment of these services has necessitated many increases in staff. In 1924, the staff numbered only 200, while now there are 3,658 persons on the payroll. They are employed in 30 countries, spread over five continents.

Because of the specialised nature of the Company's work, staff cannot normally be obtained fully qualified to undertake the diverse responsibilities required of them, and the Company has had to establish its own school for post-graduate training in air navigation, radio work, engineering etc. In addition, it has established a pupillage scheme for traffic staff. Among its employees are to be found citizens of all the Dominions and many of the Colonies.

Fleet Larger

Imperial Airways has always given close attention to other developments besides the mere extension of miles flown, and can claim to have established new standards in air travel. In 1924, the Company took over 18 aircraft of 7 different types. After digesting the experience that had accumulated up to that time, the Company came to the conclusion that to achieve financial autonomy, large aircraft employed intensively would be necessary. Imperial Airways, therefore, concentrated on eliminating their single-engine aircraft and replacing them by large multi-engine planes.

With each new type, higher speed as well as other improvements were called for, a compromise being made to secure the best balance of speed,

range, paying load capacity, comfort and operating cost.

1926 Imperial Airways put into service in Europe the 3-engine Argo-type aircraft and the 3-engine high performance Hercules type in the Near East.

1928 The 3-engine Calcutta flying-boats were put into service on the Mediterranean.

1929 Imperial Airways decided to standardise 4-engine aircraft for its major aircraft.

1931 The Scipio type 4-engine flying-boats were put into service on the Mediterranean and the Hannibal and Hercules 4-engine landplanes were commissioned for Europe and the Near East.

1932 The Atlanta 4-engine monoplanes designed for operation from high altitude aerodromes were put into service on the Africa route.

1933 The 4-engine Diana class aircraft were specially designed and built to suit the requirements of the Singapore—Australia route. The type was also used for certain services in Europe, West Africa and the Far East.

1935 The Company placed orders for 28 four-engine flying-boats and 12 four-engine landplanes—the largest order for civil aircraft ever placed—amounting to approximately £2,000,000.

1935 Imperial Airways took an interest in the development of flight refuelling and in the Mayo composite aircraft.

1936 Canopus class of Imperial flying-boats put into service.

1937 Caledonia made a non-stop flight—Southampton—Alexandria, 2,222 miles. Caledonia and the Canopus made five return experimental flights across the Atlantic. The Canopus made a goodwill flight to New Zealand and back, 30,000 miles.

1938 Flight refuelling experiments. The Mercury, upper component of the Mayo composite aircraft flew the Atlantic, making the fastest east to west crossing then made, and carrying a payload of 1,000 lbs.

Latest Plane

At the time of writing, the Company is conducting acceptance trials of the Ensign class aircraft, and the Frobisher class, which have cruising speeds of approximately 170 and 200 m.p.h. respectively.

Apart from the leadership in the use of multi-engine aircraft and being the first air transport company in the world to use two-engine, then three and, in 1931, four-engine aircraft, with spacious cabins and a standard of comfort and quietness of a new order for air transport, Imperial Airways was also the first company in the world to carry stewards, and to supply, first simple refreshments, and later full meals, 5 course lunches, and 7 course dinners.

Passenger fares have been reduced as the following examples show. For simplicity, the single ordinary fares that were in force in 1924 or at the opening of each service are shown side by side with the present fares:

Fares Lowered

Original Fare	1938
London—Paris	1924 £ 0.0.0 £ 4.10.0
London—Singapore	1933 100.0.0 130.0.0
London—Brisbane	1935 105.0.0 100.0.0

Appreciation of the Company's passenger services is best judged by the fact that whereas in 1925 it carried passengers a distance of 2,682,000 passenger miles, the volume of traffic had grown till for the year ending March 1939, passengers were carried a distance for 40 million passenger miles.

Postage rates for air mails have also been reduced, and mails have also been carried faster.

Imperial Airways has, therefore, first and foremost, built up a sound commercial organisation, and has taken advantage of all aeronautical advances while at the same time managing its affairs with prudence, and providing resources for developments and contingencies.

Largest in World

It has led the way in setting for its services a standard of comfort and reliability comparable with that of the older forms of surface transport. It has been all along a pioneer in the use of large, multi-engine aircraft and standardised the use of 4-engine aircraft ahead of any other air transport company. Its fleet now numbers 87 aircraft developing more than 200,000 h.p.

Finally, by attention to cost, combined with foresight and enterprise, it has been able to give to the British Empire the benefit of air transport without extra cost, for all letters carried on the England—Australia and England—South Africa routes.

It is claimed that no other country in the world, regardless of the amount of money lavished on its air services, can show an equally consistent and beneficent achievement on the part of its national air transport organisation.

Dogs Kill \$1,500 Fox

WILLOWS, Cal. Dogs here killed a fox which to them looked just like an ordinary fox. But to Herman Storz, who is establishing a fox farm here, from which the animal escaped, it looked like \$1,500. It was a black silver fox which he had purchased at that price for breeding purposes.

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She Fell Down At A Cinema

HER high-heel shoes were exhibited at Bradford County Court recently when Miss Muriel Cattell, an attractive mannequin, sued a cinema. She claimed £40 damages for injuries received when she fell down five steps while wearing high heels—and lost.

Judgment was given for the cinema company with costs.

CHARMING, BUT—

"I must admit these shoes are charming," said Mr. R. Bishop (for the cinema company), "but they are not exactly designed for safety going downstairs."

But tall, golden-haired Miss Cattell does not intend to let this stop her wearing high heels—and she has 32 pairs of such shoes.

"High heels are an essential part of modern-dress wear," she said at her home in Stump Cross, Halifax.

"Very high ones look ridiculous and are dangerous to health, but the normal high heel women have worn for years helps to keep one graceful and gives an attractive walk, which sets off modern fashions."

Tuition Paid In Nickels

KENT, O. Don Tewes, Kent State student, literally "buffaloed" the university treasurer's office when he paid his fees for the second semester. He paid his way with a bucket of nickels—835 of them—weighing almost 10 pounds.

£1,981 Because Her Marriage Hope Is Gone

HER life almost ruined by road accident injuries, and her career as a singer ended, Miss Jessie E. Scott, a 26-year-old Stourbridge girl, was awarded £1,981 damages recently.

She was knocked down by a car last May.

The owner, Mr. J. R. H. Perry, of Pedmore, Worcester-shire, admitted liability at Birmingham Assizes and asked Mr. Justice Oliver to assess the damages.

No A.R.P. Shelter For Governor

Government House, Singapore, has no bomb-proof shelters. But inquiries showed that there is a cellar which may be adapted for A.R.P. purposes.

Raffles Museum also has no shelter. But Mr. F. N. Chasen, the Museum director, said: "Plans have been made for the safety of certain very important type and irreplaceable specimens in the event of a raid and special provisions have been made to deal with fire."

Faithful Dog Dies

ROCKLAND, Me. Chico, a chow dog who waited half her life for the return of her mistress, is dead at 17. From 1930, when her owner died at a local hospital, until 1938 Chico refused to enter any house—spending most of her time on the sidewalk or at the hospital. For the past three years she had been a guest at the city hall.



The Panama Consul General and Mrs. Rivera Reyes and friends who gathered recently to celebrate the hoisting of the Panama flag on the s.s. San Antonio.—Ming Yuen.

Lady Hornby Seeks Divorce

BRIGHTON. Lady Veronica Hornby, only sister of the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, has started divorce proceedings against her stock-broker husband Mr. Roger Anthony Hornby. They were married at St. Paul's, Knightsbridge, in 1931. Lady Veronica is twenty-eight, daughter of the third Marquis of Dufferin and Ava, who was killed in the Meopham air crash in 1930.

Action Over School Percussion Band

MRS. CECILIA MARGERY COMPTON, of Widmore Road, Bromley (Kent), has no very high opinion of the music produced by the children's percussion band in the kindergarten school next door.

Foreign Offers For Navy Film

Foreigners were reported in Wardour-street recently to be trying to buy up films of the British Fleet on manoeuvres and other films of the Army and Air Force in action.

"Fantastic prices," it was stated, are offered for the "right films."

An Admiralty official said: "We have heard reports of offers being made for certain films of the British Navy from abroad. All these films, of course, are ensored. They would be of little use to anyone seeking new information."

The following report was recently given by Mr. Widgey R. Newman, of Wardour-street, producer of the Coronation year film, "Our Royal Heritage."

"This film, showing 'Britain's might in the air, on the soil, on the sea, and in defence,' had full Government backing. Special facilities were given by, among others, the Admiralty, the Air Ministry, and the War Office."

Mr. Newman added: "A man walked into my office this afternoon. He said he was interested in certain sequences of the British Navy on manoeuvres, particularly those showing the Rodney firing a complete broadside. These 'shots' were unique."

"He offered me £2 a foot for a duplicate negative, which, in the trade, is an absolutely fantastic figure. He said he would pay cash."

"I said that I could not possibly sell him the negatives without first consulting the Admiralty, and he left."

Mr. A. Fried, of Wardour-street, a distributor, said: "I had a letter from Berlin to-day asking for films showing manoeuvres of the British Fleet. No price was mentioned."

THIEF EATS POISON BAIT

HOLLISTER, Cal. Some unknown man here is believed to have saved the lives of at least two coyotes. He opened and ate two cans of tainted mackerel that had been purchased as coyote poison bait. The police waited for someone to become ill of ptomaine poisoning, but the mystery is still unsolved.

She said in the Chancery Division recently that noises from the school had at times made her cry.

She sought an injunction against Miss Dorothy Violet Bunting, the principal, to restrain her from carrying on the school in such a manner as to cause annoyance.

Mr. Harold Christie, K.C., for Mrs. Compton, said the school was in a semi-detached house. When the pupils, aged from four to ten, arrived in the morning, they "rioted" in the drive, and after roll-call raced up and down the stairs and passages to their class-rooms.

Twice a week, from 10 to 4, there was singing, piano-playing, and a percussion band.

Mr. Justice Morton: What is a percussion band?

Mr. Christie: It consists of tambores, cymbals, drums and triangles. Besides that, they play pipes.

Mr. Justice Morton (a Scotsman): What, bagpipes?—No. Little hand-made pipes.

Mr. Charles Harman, K.C. (for Miss Bunting): What you would call ha'penny whistles.

Mr. Christie said the pipes were particularly unpleasant because, when blown in concert, they were out of tune.

Mrs. Compton said that often the noise which came through the party wall was so bad that she could not read, write, or concentrate on knitting patterns.

She had had to go out of the house to get away from it.

The hearing was adjourned.

Legislators Think Of Salaries

Denver. The Colorado legislature, in session since Jan. 4, had passed one bill by Feb. 18. It was the measure which approved payment of the legislators' salaries.

Busy Dentist Busier

CLEVELAND, O. Dr. Herbert Riemenschneider, 142 sides being a successful dentist, sings in the Orpheus Male Chorus, travels to Pittsburgh once a week, rehearses twice a week, takes special coaching, and "manages to keep busy."

Gay, colourful SCARVES

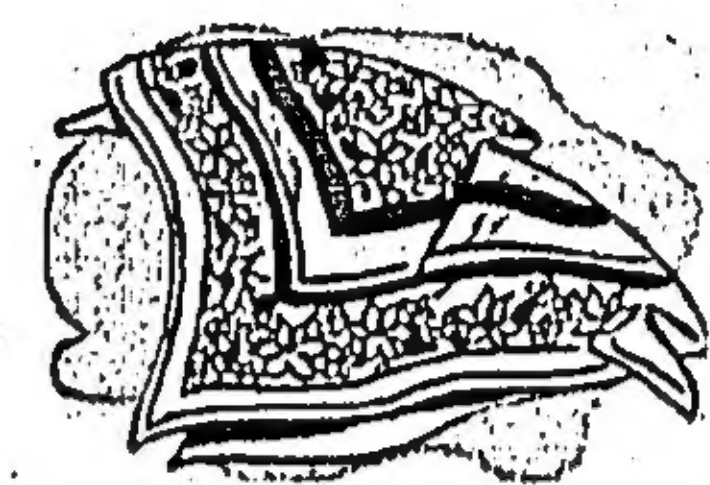
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CHURCH NOTICES

METHODIST CHURCH (Queen's Road East)

Opening of the Makeham Memorial Organ

SERVICE FOR MR. BOULTON

Services on Sunday, May 7, conducted by the Rev. J. E. Sandbach and E. Moreton. Organist—Mr. R. Stansfield.

Junior Church at 9.30 a.m. All children welcome.

Morning Service at 10.15 a.m. Order of Service for the Opening and Dedication of the Makeham Memorial Organ—Opening Hymn No. 573, Old Organ; Short Prayer; Lord's Prayer; Unveiling of Memorial Plate and Unveiling of Organ by Mrs. Dransfield; Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving; Hymn No. 1, New Organ; Voluntary, Mr. R. Stansfield; Solo, Mr. A. Glanville; Lesson; Hymn 970; Prayer; Notices; Hymn No. 414 and Offertory; Address, Rev. J. E. Sandbach; Hymn No. 400; Benediction.

Evening Service at 7 p.m. This will take the form of a Memorial Service to the late Mr. S. Boulton who was closely associated with the life of the Church for many years. Hymn No. 607; Prayer; Hymn No. 408; Lesson; Prayer; Notices; Hymn No. 524; Address, Rev. J. E. Sandbach; Hymn No. 528; Benediction.

A cordial invitation is given to friends, both new and old, to join with us in the above services.

NOTICES FOR THE WEEK

1. Following the Evening Service a Social Hour will be held at the S. & S. Home at 8.15 p.m. All Servicemen and civilians will be warmly welcomed.

2. The Building Club will meet at the S. & S. Home on Monday and Thursday at 7 p.m.

3. There will be a meeting for Prayer and Fellowship at the S. & S. Home on Tuesday at 8.30 p.m.

UNION CHURCH (Kennedy Road)

Lady Members Invited To Fellowship Meeting

Morning service 10.30 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m. Preacher at both services, Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at the close of evening service.

The Helena May Religious Fellowship meets in the Institute on Friday mornings at 10.30 a.m. A cordial invitation to attend these meetings is extended to all ladies of Union Church.

CHRIST CHURCH (Kowloon Tong)

Rev. W. H. S. Chapman At Choral Eucharist

PARISH BREAKFAST

Sunday, May 7. Fourth Sunday after Easter—Corporate Communion of the Guild of Martha and Mary and the Christ Church Fellowship, 7.15 a.m. Parish breakfast afterwards at 11 Waterloo Road.

Choral Eucharist 10 a.m. Preacher, Rev. W. H. S. Chapman, Chaplain, H.M.S. Birmingham.

Young People's Class in Church 9 a.m.; Sunday Schools in No. 3 Duke Street, 9 and 10 a.m.

Monday, May 8.—Meeting of the Guild of Martha and Mary in the Vicarage, 100 Waterloo Road, 5.30-7 p.m. Speaker, Miss Faith Hall.

Thursday, May 11.—Holy Communion 7.15 a.m. Guild of Martha and Mary sewing meeting in the Vicarage, 100 Waterloo Road, 10 a.m. Wolf Cubs, No. 3 Duke Street, 5 p.m.

Saturday, May 13.—First of the season's launch parties. Launch leaves Police Pier Kowloon 3.45 p.m. All members of Christ Church and their friends are welcome.

MANDARIN SERVICE

The Mandarin English Service at Christ Church, Kowloon Tong is held at 11 o'clock every Sunday.

LESSON SERMON

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hongkong

"ADAM AND FALLEN MAN"

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches tomorrow May 7, will be "Adam and Fallen Man."

The Golden Text will be:—"As in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive." (1 Cor. 15:22).

Among other the following citations will be read from the Bible:—"And God saw everything that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. But there went out of the earth a great vapour, and the whole face of the ground was hid, and the Lord God said, 'I will destroy man whom I have formed: And thou shalt be cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field: because thou hast eaten of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil: therefore shalt thou be cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field: thou shalt eat of the herbs of the field; and thou shalt drink of the dew of the heaven, and thou shalt be as a field, and as a garden of the field.'" (Gen. 1:11; Gen. 2:1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

POSITION VACANT

ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER required by THE SINGAPORE HARBOUR BOARD.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

The Fifty-Eighth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Thursday, the 18th May, 1939, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 4th May to the 18th May, 1939, both days inclusive.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 18th May to the 8th June, 1939 inclusive.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of May, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Stanley, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upset Price
1	Lot No. 521, Rural Building, North West of Rural Building No. 392, Stanley.	N. S. E. W.	as per sale plan.	about 26/600	\$250

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of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 8th day of May, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Wong Nei Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

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2	West of and adjoining Lot No. 3653, Blue Peak Road, Wong Nei Chung.	N. S. E. W.	as per sale plan.	about 37/660	\$250

U. S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, May 5.

New York Cotton

May 8.52 / 53 8.61 N

July 8.23 / 23 8.31/31

Oct. 7.73 / 73 7.81/82

Dec. 7.56 / 56 7.64/64

Jan. 7.53b / 55a 7.63 N

Mar. 7.54 / 54 7.63/63

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New York Rubber

May 15.97b / 98a 16.04 / 04

July 16.02 / 02 16.04 / 04

Sept. 16.02b / 02a 16.05b / 05a

Dec. 16.01 B 16.10 N

To-day's Sales—710 tons.

Chicago Wheat

May 73 1/2 / 73 3/4 73 1/2 / 73 3/4

July 73 1/2 / 73 3/4 73 1/2 / 73 3/4

Sept. 73 1/2 / 73 3/4 73 1/2 / 73 3/4

Dec. 73 1/2 / 73 3/4 73 1/2 / 73 3/4

Thursdays' Sales—20,163,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn

May 40 1/2 / 40 3/4 40 1/2 / 40 3/4

July 40 1/2 / 40 3/4 40 1/2 / 40 3/4

Sept. 40 1/2 / 40 3/4 40 1/2 / 40 3/4

Dec. 40 1/2 / 40 3/4 40 1/2 / 40 3/4

Winnipeg Wheat

May 60 1/2 / 60 3/4 60 1/2 / 60 3/4

July 60 1/2 / 60 3/4 60 1/2 / 60 3/4

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Messrs. A. Sommerfeldt, D. Black, A. A. Brenner, F. Macleod and R. Young have been appointed Acting Paymaster Sub-Lieutenants in the Hongkong Naval Volunteer Force.

CONSIDERATION

Thief Returns Wallet Through the Post

A wallet stolen from the pocket of a German through passenger on board the Conte Rosso yesterday afternoon, was later delivered to the Police at Talmahat through the Post Office, intact except for some money, which was gone.

He reported the loss to the Police, and some hours later, after Mr. Wittenberg had re-boarded his ship and sailed, the wallet was returned to the Water Police Station. It was among a number of letters and parcels delivered by a postman on his usual rounds.

The wallet originally contained a passport, a passenger ticket, and U.S.\$10 and H.K.\$10. Everything was inside except the money.

AIR SERVICES

Arrivals and Departures of Planes

Outward

For London, Australia and British Countries: Imperial Airways 7 a.m. May 12.

For Chungking, Sian, etc.: Eurasia and C.N.A.C. service indefinite.

For U.S.A., via Manila and Guam: Pan American Honolulu Clipper 8.30 a.m. May 11.

For France, via Hanol: Air France 6.30 a.m. May 6.

Inward

From London, Australia and British countries: Imperial Airways 5 p.m. May 8. Imperial Airways 5 p.m. May 11.

From U.S.A., via Guam, and Manila: Pan American Honolulu Clipper 12.30 p.m. May 10.

From Chungking, Yunnanfu, Kweilin: C.N.A.C. Eurasia Service indefinite.

From France, via Hanol: Air France 1 p.m. May 10.

LANDSLIDE POSSIBLE

Two Men Charged With Cutting Earth

Pointing out the danger of a landslide on the Kowloon Mortuary, Inspector Wright brought a charge of cutting earth from Crown Land against Lai Kwai-hui, 34, and Leung Ping, 64, before Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

Inspector Wright said the doctor at the Mortuary had made several complaints of earth being cut from the hills behind the Mortuary and defendants were caught in the act on Thursday.

Lai was fined \$3, or seven days' hard labour, and Leung, who had a previous conviction for a similar offence and two for larceny, was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange weekly report issued yesterday says: There has been a slow but marked improvement in sentiment during the week with Buyers becoming more liberal in their ideas. The demand has been difficult to meet and is still unsatisfied, and should the present temper of the market continue, the supply of scrip will not be forthcoming even at the improved levels at which the market closes. A firm and steady undertone characterises the market at the close.

Business Done During The Week: Hongkong Bank \$1,300, \$1,352, \$1,370. Union Bank \$442 1/2, \$442, \$442. Dooms \$10 1/2, \$10, \$10. Provident \$12, \$12, \$12. Land-Debt \$100. Humphreys \$12 1/2, \$12, \$12. Transwales \$10 1/2, \$10 1/2, \$10 1/2. China Lights (Old) \$3.30. China Lights (New) \$3.30. Electric \$3. Canton Ice \$1. Dairy Farms Ex Rta \$20 1/2. Dairy Farms Rights \$14.50, \$14 1/2, \$14 1/2. Maramba (H.K.) 4/3 1/2. Changes—4 p.m. (Closing Quotations)

Buyers

Hongkong Bank \$1,300

H.K. Docks \$10 7/8

H.K. Lands \$3 1/2

H.K. Hotels \$3 1/2

H.K. Tramways \$10 1/2

Electricity \$3 1/2

Telephones (New) \$7

Dairy Farms Ex Rta \$20 1/2

Dairy Farms Rights \$14 1/2

Entertainments \$6 1/2

Sellers

Hongkong Bank \$1,300

China Lights (New) \$3 1/2

Bates

Hongkong Bank \$1,300

H.K. & W. Wharves \$10 1/2

H.K. Hotels \$3 1/2

H.K. Lands \$3 1/2

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Electricity \$3 1/2

Telephones (New) \$7

Dairy Farms Ex Rta \$20 1/2

Dairy Farms Rights \$14 1/2

Entertainments \$6 1/2

Washington, May 5.—General Somoza, President of Nicaragua, was greeted by President Roosevelt on his arrival here to-day on an official visit.

It is expected that the question of an inter-ocean canal across Nicaragua will be discussed.—Reuter.

Nelson & Co., Inc., Managers for the Hongkong Mines, Limited report 4,620 short dry tons of ore treated for the month of April, from which 477.9 short dry tons of Lead Concentrates were produced, averaging 62.77 per cent Lead and 14.28 oz. Silver per ton.

ITALY USING INFLUENCE TO END IMPASSE

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Italian Intervention

Rome, May 6.

It is reliably stated that the Italian Foreign Minister has conferred with the Polish Minister on the present Polish-German situation.

The conference was held, it is reported with a view to reaching a friendly solution of the Danzig problem.

It is reported that Mussolini has advised Poland to exercise moderation in dealing with Germany.—United Press.

Danzig Reaction

Danzig, May 6.

The reaction of political circles here to Colonel Beck's speech is that it is merely a general answer to proposals which are no longer valid, hence it does not clarify the situation at all.—United Press.

London Opinion

London, May 6.

Colonel Beck's speech is regarded here as being firm but not intransigent and therefore it is not expected to aggravate the situation.

His refusal to allow the annexation of Danzig or to cede a corridor through the Polish Corridor is accepted here, but observers generally are pleased with Colonel Beck also having struck a conciliatory note.—United Press.

Bucharest Reaction

Bucharest, May 6.

Colonel Beck's speech is regarded in well-informed quarters here as being exemplary in firmness, dignity, and decisiveness.

At the same time, it is pointed out that the speech was not aggressive in tone, and that Colonel Beck has not closed the door to future discussions on the Danzig and Corridor problems on the basis of the equal standing of both nations.

Yesterday to the same circles, the question of Russia's future relations with Poland is even more important than Colonel Beck's speech, and the fact that 48 hours have passed since the news of M. Litvinoff's resignation without a statement on Russia's policy is regarded as significant.

It is believed that if Stalin's intention had been to adhere generally to the policy of Litvinoff, even though modifying it in detail, there would already have been some statement to this effect from Moscow.—Reuter.

"Climb Down"?

Berlin, May 6.

Herr Hitler spent the afternoon at Berchtesgaden discussing Colonel Beck's speech with Nazi leaders from Danzig and Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, who is leaving for Italy to-night.

While Germany's attitude is not likely to be officially formulated until both Poland's formal reply to the German memorandum and Colonel Beck's speech have been thoroughly examined, the first impression in unofficial quarters is that Poland has "climbed down."

Germans are already talking about the probability that Germany will soon have Danzig back without a shot being fired.—Reuter.

CLOUDS REPEL NEW RAIDS

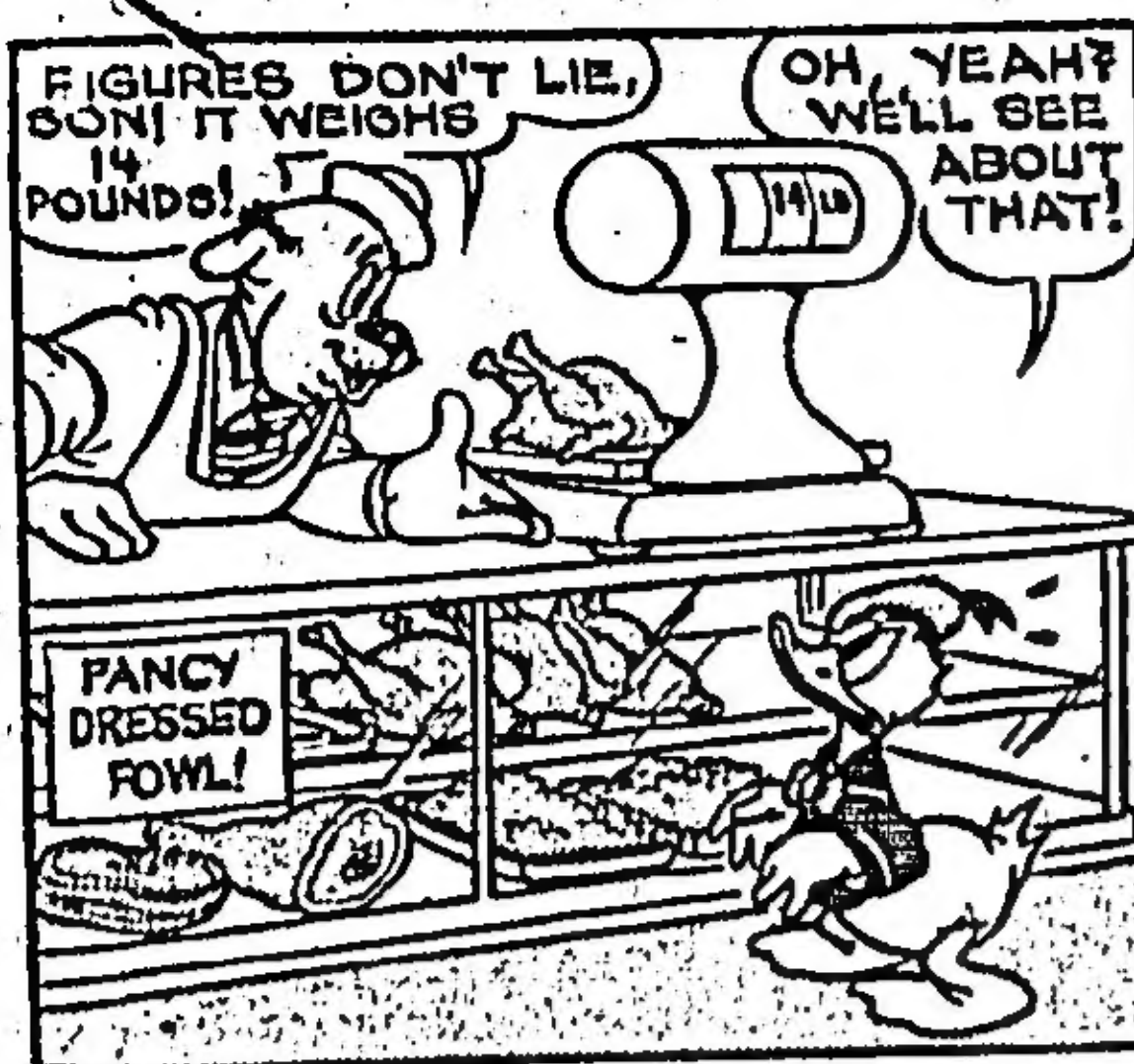
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The Japanese airmen, who were forced to fly above the heavy mist shrouding the city.

Heavy rain has helped to extinguish the many fires, and only two big configurations are now burning. These are stated to be under control.

The shore of the Yangtze is covered for a length of two miles with families sleeping and living in the open, some seeking to cross the river with their few meagre belongings.

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Crown Land On 75-Year Leases

Because of the importance of the land lease renewal question a representative of the Secretary of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce yesterday to enquire whether the Chamber had further information to give as to the discussions which were said in the annual report to be proceeding. Mr. M. F. Key said that a Special Committee of the Chamber had not yet concluded its deliberations and he could not make a statement.

Hongkong is under the leasehold system of land tenure, which obtains also in several other Colonies. The length of leases has varied. The oldest leases were for 75 years, but from 1849 to 1899 terms of 999 years were granted. From 1899 to 1908 the policy was again 75 years, but from 1899 to the present day the standard lease has been 75 years, with an option of renewal for another 75 years. At the end of the first 75 years there is a revision of Crown rent to the rate of the day.

Under the leasehold system, the land and the buildings upon it revert to the landlord (in this case the Crown) at the end of the lease. Renewals are granted, however, on payment of a premium. It is considered by the early 75-year leaseholders that, because the later leaseholders have a term of 150 years, the early leaseholders should have their leases automatically extended for another 75 years, thus postponing for that length of time the premium which will be due at the end of the 75 years.

Of Equal Standing
The official view is understood to be that 75-year leaseholders and 75 plus 75 year leaseholders cannot be considered in different categories, nor can the one be considered more fortunate than the other. The 75-year leaseholder, who bought his lease in 1895, say, paid what he considered a fair price for the enjoyment of that land for 75 years, and the 75 plus 75-year leaseholder, who bought his lease after 1899, also paid a fair price, but higher, because of the longer tenure.

To grant extensions to present 75-year leaseholders without the payment of premiums would be conferring on them a benefit at the expense of the general community, according to the official view. The process might eventually end in a wholesale demand for freehold leases, for at the end of the 75 plus 75-year leases, netting on this precedent, those holders might ask for a 999 years lease, and at the end of the 999 years carry the point further and request freehold leases.

There is no question of one party being more fortunate in the period during which the leases were taken out. The initial premiums must have been in equity with the tenure of those leases. What has happened is that certain leaseholders have failed to make provision for the premium of renewal during their 75-year holdings, and the amount of that premium now appears high. Several leaseholders, however, have already agreed to pay the premium and increased Crown rents, and to refund them would involve a considerable sum of money.

999-Year Leases
As regards the 999-year leaseholders, and there are quite a few, official opinion is that it would only be a profitable venture for Government to buy them out if the compensation paid were less than the marketable value of the lands.

Government has already publicly announced its willingness to renew leases on payment of the value of the renewal, except, of course, where land may be needed for a public purpose.

The facts of the present case in Hongkong could best be represented, according to the official view, by supposing two leaseholders in adjoining houses had leases for five and seven years respectively. Under these circumstances it would hardly be reasonable for the one, at the end of five years, to ask for an extension of two years because his neighbour had a simply two years on his lease. It was simply a matter of contracts, and contracts expiring.

The present position of leaseholders is that at the expiration of their term the land goes back to the Crown if the terms of renewal are not met.

TOWN LACKS LABOUR

MARLBHEAD, Mass.
"Although that building is the only industry left here, when expert work must be done it is necessary to send out of town for workmen. Therefore, it is proposed that a course in boat building be introduced into the high school manual training department."

NEW OFFICIALS MEET
Po Leung Kuk Committee
Opening Session

A meeting was held on Thursday at the Po Leung Kuk when the new committee assumed office.

Among those present were: Permanent Directors: Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Mr. Thomas Tam, Mr. Li Po-kwan, Mr. Tam Woon-tong.

Preceding Directors: Mr. Chan Kam-por, Mr. Chan Lan-long, Miss Kwok Fung-him, Mr. Fung Chi-ying, Mr. Butnan Lam, Dr. P. S. Li, Mr. F. Y. Cheung.

New Directors: Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan (Chairman), Mrs. Ho Leung, Dr. T. Y. Li, Miss Irene Ho Tung, Mrs. L. Gockchin, Mr. Wan Woon-ching, Mr. Tong Yick-long, Dr. Y. T. Li, Mr. Li Shing-chi, Mr. Kwok Piu-cheung, Mr. Leung Sik-mow and Mr. Kan Man.

Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, expressed thanks to the retiring directors for having done their work so well under the exceptional circumstances of last year. As the war still continued, he said, the circumstances would remain unchanged, and therefore he hoped that the new directors would be able to meet with the situation with the same capability.

Mr. Chan Kam-por, retiring Chairman, thanked the directors for their support.

The Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Chan Lan-long, gave the annual financial report, showing total receipts for the year at \$38,028.15, and expenditure at \$31,018.25, leaving a credit balance of \$7,011.90.

The new chairman, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, assumed office with the following speech:

We greatly appreciate the encouragement which Mr. Chau and Mr. Chan have given us. The work of the Po Leung Kuk is to protect women and children who are in distress. I am most fortunate in having the support of my colleagues and Mrs. Ho Leung, who is one of the previous directors, and I feel sure she will be able to give us the best of support.

Under present circumstances the population of Hongkong is steadily increasing; therefore I feel that the population of the Kuk will increase as well. In that case I hope the Government, S.C.A. and permanent directors will continue to favour us with their help.

The new Chairman, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, is the Managing Director of the China Motor Bus Co., Ltd. During past years he has been generous energetic supporter of various charitable organisations in the community. In 1927 he was the Chairman of the Kwong Wah Hospital, 1931 Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospitals and in 1932 was made a Justice of Peace.

ROBBERS ENTER FLAT
Alleged Member of Gang
Sent for Trial

Chan Ho-yiu, 21, shop assistant, was committed for trial for armed robbery by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Chan is alleged to have been one of a gang of three men concerned in a robbery in King Kwong Street, Hoppy Valley, on April 23, when money and jewellery valued at \$347 was stolen.

Chan was arrested in Wanchai on April 23 by one of the victims, who was travelling in a tram and said she recognised him walking in the street.

Evidence of an identification parade was given by Mr. L. A. Searle, Assistant Superintendent of Police, who stated that Chan was picked out by the victims quite easily.

Cheng Sau-ying, 27, woman, said she returned to her house about 4 p.m. on April 23, when the door was opened to her by a man who threatened her with a pistol. She saw two others armed with knives and recognised Chan as the man who took her handbag, containing \$20 in money, and a gold ring set with three diamonds from her finger.

After being gagged with an orange and a piece of cloth, she was bound and put into a cubicle with her mother-in-law, niece, and another woman. A chance encounter led to Chan's arrest two days later. As she was travelling in a tram, she said she saw a man who looked like one of the robbers, walking in the street.

She immediately alighted and on having a close look, recognised him. She caught hold of his jacket but he broke loose and ran away, only to be arrested by three pedestrians. In Mun-tun, 67, widow, said she was in the house at 3.30 p.m. when three men entered the house on the pretext of delivering a parcel. The robbers seized her and bound her.

Improving
RelationsSino-American Cultural
Society Formed

The Hongkong Branch of the Chinese-American Institute of Cultural Relations was formed at a social gathering held in the Peacecock Room, Cafe Wiseman, yesterday. The meeting was attended by a large gathering which included Sir Shouson Chow, Dr. C. T. Wang, former Chinese Ambassador to the United States, Mr. S. T. Blitting, Dr. Arthur Woo, Messrs. W. Yinson Lee, Y. P. Huang, Wallace Harper, and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Chen.

The Chair was taken by Sir Shouson Chow. Mr. Paul Deltz, who had been responsible for much of the organising, read the constitution of the Institute, which was adopted after a few slight amendments.

The purpose of the Institute, it was explained, was for the promotion of cultural relations and to cultivate closer friendship between the peoples of China and the United States. Among the activities of the Institute are the conduct of research and study on topics pertaining to the cultural development of both countries; the issue of publications on cultural, political, economic and social topics of interest to both countries; to give support to such undertakings as may be of mutual interest; hold regular and special meetings, as well as social gatherings.

Membership is open to any person of Chinese or American nationality residing in Hongkong. The Institute derives its revenue from membership fees, and any contributions or donations. The cost of membership per annum is \$5.

Mr. Deltz said that many of the members of the Institute were at present residing in the Colony, and were formerly of Shanghai, and the branch of the Institute had been formed in order to allow the peoples of China and America to get together, as they had done in the northern cities. The headquarters of the Institute were in Chungking and New York, and the President of the latter was Mr. Henry L. Stimson, former United States Secretary of State.

Officers elected at the meeting were: Hon. Presidents: Mme. Sun Yat-sen and Dr. C. T. Wang;

Executive Committee: President, Sir Shouson Chow; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. S. T. Blitting and Y. L. Lee; General Secretary, P. K. Chu; Chinese Secretary, David Lu; American Secretary, Paul Deltz; Hon. Treasurer, Roy Larcher. The five Chairmen of the Membership, Research, Publicity, Social Service and Programme Committees were Messrs. A. J. Campbell, Chen Pin-ho, Percy Chen, R. Strong and W. Yinson Lee. Messrs. Albert Yuen, T. B. Wilson and Walter H. Chen were elected members of the Committee.

Those elected to the Advisory Board were: Dr. Y. M. Chien, Dr. S. N. Chau, Hon. Hsu Shih-ying, Dr. Li Shu-pui, Dr. Shu Hsing-tso, Dr. T. C. Tai, Dr. Arthur Woo, Messrs. P. N. Chung, S. S. Church, C. M. Gee, W. Harper, William Hui, Tsuyue Pei, H. S. Mok and P. H. Sir.

COWAN AND BAILEY
Hotel Entertainers Return
For Short Season

Cowan and Bailey, the popular entertainers who have thrilled Hongkong audiences with their clever piano, songs and banjo routines are booked for a limited engagement at the Hongkong Hotel, starting on May 10.

These popular entertainers have been operating the famous Coconut Grove Cafe in Singapore since they last appeared here and are taking a well earned vacation by coming to Hongkong before the opening of their new Cathay Cafe and Roof Garden which will be the most beautiful night club in the Far East.

Cowan and Bailey with his dynamic banjo and droll personality will present besides their floor show specialty, consisting of latest numbers and song hits and costume numbers that have won them fame and recognition everywhere, individual table entertainment intimate in style and originality. With hundreds of the latest song hits at their command they sing and play any song you wish for. This is new and Hongkong will welcome it again as Cowan and Bailey were the first to introduce it.

Costume numbers, such as the Roman Senators, Cleopatra, Spring Beautiful, The Flower Girls, The Cowboys, etc., will be new to Hongkong audiences and will bring a thrill and many a laugh.

On May 10 Cowan and Bailey will be joined by Estelle Cowan, the popular Mistress of Ceremonies, who is bringing from America an intimate revue of Hollywood stars and beauties. The entire Cowan and Bailey revue Co. will appear at the Hongkong Hotel on May 10.

AMERICAN VISITORS

Newspaperman and Wife
On Empress of Japan

The Empress of Japan yesterday brought an interesting couple in Mr. Colin Miller, assistant Manager of the Des Moines Register and Tribune Syndicate, and his young wife. Envious Easterners their long leave opportunities, they are crusing a round trip on the Empress of Japan into their six weeks' vacation.

Mr. Miller was reticent in his views on Eastern conditions, his experience having necessarily been brief. He said, however, that the American conception of conditions in the East was far from correct. "Do you find them worse or better than you expected?" he was asked. "Just different," he replied, guardedly.

CIVILIAN FLIERS
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The Civilian Air Reserve, into which Toledo amateur pilots, owners of aircraft and students of aviation have pooled their resources for study and development of flying, has been assured of aid from the Federal Government, under the new civil aeronautics authority training plan.

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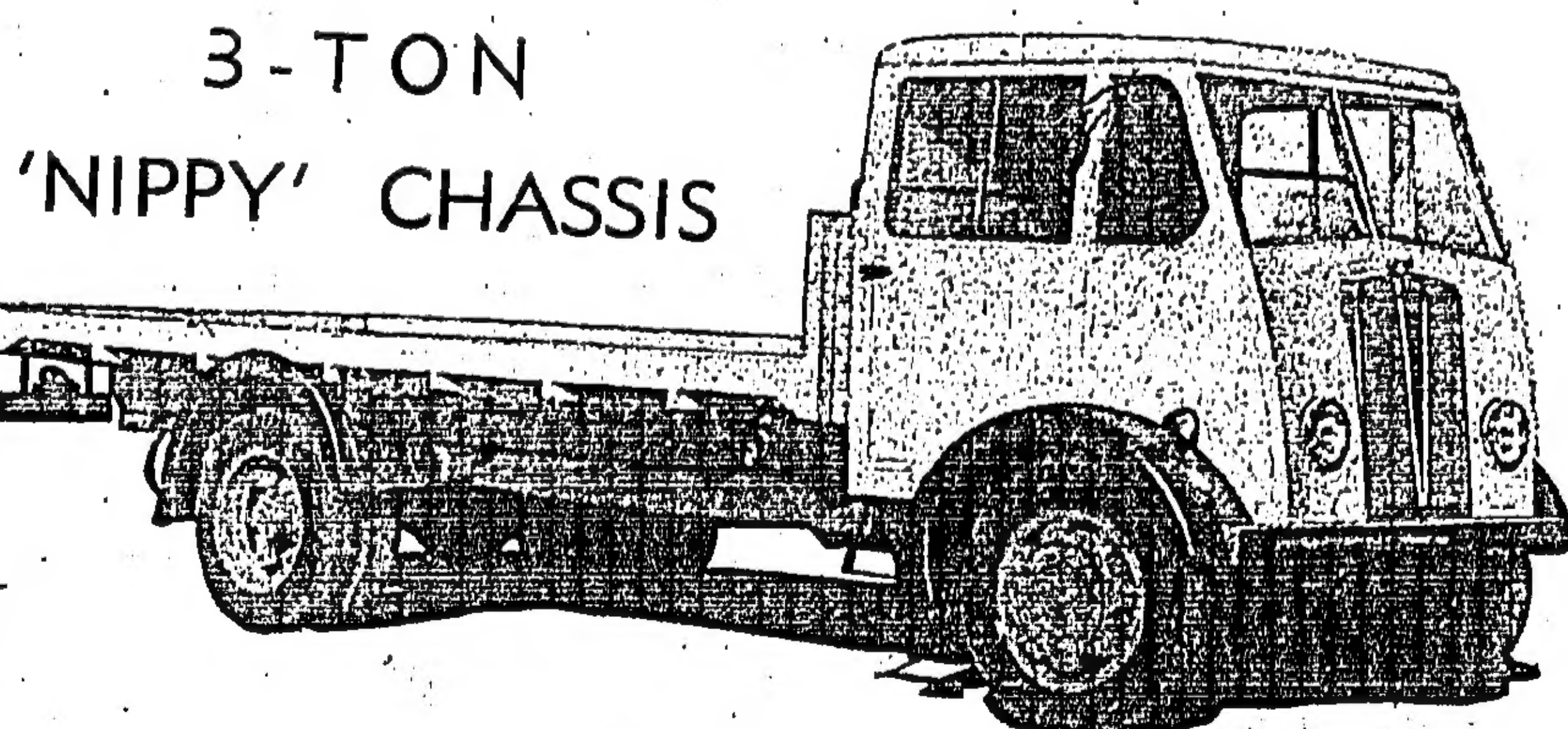
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EMPIRE NEWS

LEGAL REFORM IN SOUTH AFRICA

CAPE TOWN. Important changes in the internal control of the legal profession in South Africa are proposed in a bill which aims at preventing unqualified people from encroaching on the profession.

The measure provides for the creation of a £250,000 fidelity guarantee fund to protect the public and legal practitioners against defaulting attorneys, notaries and conveyancers.

Banks and trust companies will be among those affected by the provisions protecting the profession against encroachments. Every practising attorney, notary and conveyancer will pay £10 a year until the necessary fund of £250,000 is raised.

CANADA

NAVAL RESERVE OF FISHERMEN

VICTORIA. The British Columbia Fishermen's Reserve of the Royal Canadian Navy, organised to patrol 1,000 miles of coastline, consists of the skippers and crews of 40 big fishing launches.

In answer to the Royal Canadian Navy's call to the colours 1,200 men have been in training at the old Esquimalt naval base.

They have learned the rudiments of mine-hunting, mine-sweeping, gunnery, signalling, anti-submarine tactics and general naval technique. In squadrons of 10 boats the Reserve has done intensive training at sea. In time of war these men will watch for enemy raiders, landing parties, submarines or minelayers.

AUSTRALIA

NORTH EUROPEANS AS MIGRANTS

SYDNEY. The Federal Postmaster-General, Mr. Cameron, advocates the planned migration to Australia of Northern Europeans, such as the Dutch, the Germans and the Scandinavians. He says he believes that migration should go ahead as fast as it can be effected, and that it should be planned.

He declares that Northern Europeans are among the best agriculturists in Australia to-day, and that they form much of the backbone of the Continent.

Air Development.—The rapid development of aviation in Australia is emphasised in statistics which have just been officially released. Up to the year ended June 30 last year, 132,017 passengers were carried in aircraft. Subsidised companies flew 4,080,240 miles, and unsubsidised companies 5,455,528 miles.

CAUSE OF AIR CRASH

An "error of airmanship" caused the Jersey Airways liner St. Catherine's Bay to crash and burst into flames, with the loss of 14 lives, at the outset of a flight from Jersey to Southampton.

This is the finding, announced recently, of the Air Ministry Inspector of Accidents who investigated the tragedy of last November.

In his opinion—and the Chief Inspector of Accidents agrees—the crash was caused because the pilot, when making a climbing turn in cloud, inadvertently allowed the liner to fall into a stall.

She was at a height which did not allow him to recover control in time to avert disaster.

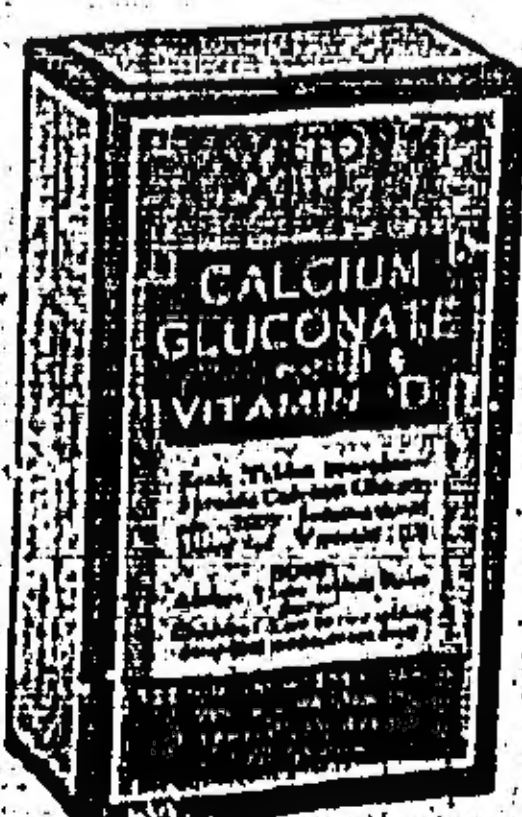
MINUTE AFTER LEAVING. A minute after it had taken off, the plane suddenly emerged from the cloud, at a height of about 120 feet in a steep left-hand sideslip.

It dived to the ground "with the engines apparently running under power," struck a bank and burst into flames.

Its thirteen occupants and a man working on the ground lost their lives.

WATCH OF 1812 KEEPS TIME

Albany, N. Y. A watch purchased during the War of 1812 provides accurate time for William Hempstead, attendant at the county courthouse. The watch is wound and set by key, and originally was owned by Hempstead's grandfather.



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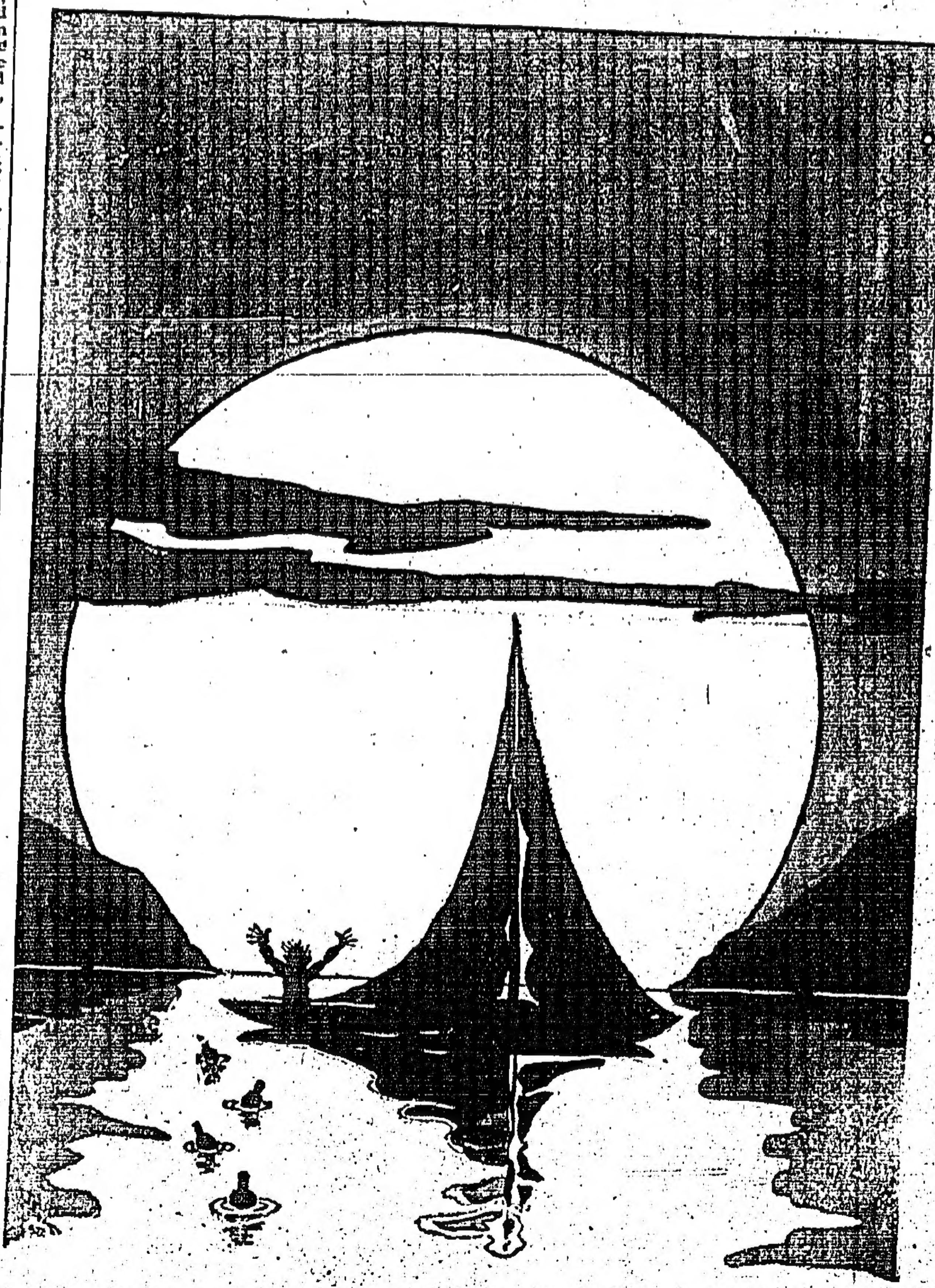


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Small-Town Doctor Made Great Discovery

This is the story of the life and death of an unknown country doctor. Few people outside of Dorset ever heard of him. He was never famous, never wealthy. But in his will he reveals the dividends of a wonderful discovery. His discovery—that kindness begets kindness.

GILLINGHAM (Dorset).

SIXTY-YEAR-OLD Dr. Arthur Walker, who loved his dog so much that he wanted to be buried in the grave where it already lay at the bottom of his garden, and who loved his patients so much that he gave them money when they could not pay their bills, has shown in his will published in Gillingham recently that he found the world a pleasant place full of "kind people."

Dr. Walker was the most popular doctor in Gillingham for thirty-two years. He left estate of the gross value of only £7,439.

In each of six bequests which he made to friends he tells that he found "Kindness, loyalty, devotion, sympathy."

He left £2,000 "for her great kindness shown to me" to the middle-aged clergyman's widow, Mrs. Dorothy Barrett, who was his house-keeper after his wife's death in 1933.

To his closest friend, a local chemist, Mr. Auberon Herbert, "for wonderful help and kindness," £250;

To a former maid-servant, Ethel Francis, £50 for "great kindness and devotion";

To Sister Frances Brown, who nursed his wife, £100 for "devotion, sympathy and kindness";

To his gardener Arthur Young "for devoted and skilful help," £50.

And even to his odd-job man, John Alger, £25 for "loyal and devoted service."

Mr. Auberon Herbert said recently: "He used to stop all night beside some of his farmhouse patients when they were ill."

"When the poorer ones could not pay their bills he would leave 10s. notes on the table. He subscribed to everything and anything in the town from the football club to the British Legion, whether he could afford it or not."

"In the war he was given the D.S.O. for fetching wounded from No Man's Land."

"Do you know why he found every one so kind?—because he was the kindest man any one ever met."

Tight Shoes—Indigestion

If you are attacked by indigestion don't automatically blame food.

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Wearing the wrong type of shoe causes indigestion, headaches, and backaches, say a recent report of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

Test shoes were issued to a number of people in various occupations, and their effect on health studied.

The experiments are to be continued and results tabulated.

and he got all his kindness back from every one around him."

The Queen Christens Her Favourite Colours

QUEEN ELIZABETH has chosen and named her two favourite colours for spring; they will commemorate, too, her coming visit to Canada and the United States.

The first is REGINA, a clear Wedgwood blue—at its palest a delicate Dresden shepherdess sort of colour, at its deepest a glowing purple-blue.

The other is MAYFLOWER, a

pinky lilac shade, smart alone and lovely with Regina.

SHE has picked these colours for the British Colour Council; they issued the exact shades recently, and manufacturers have immediately started dyeing fabrics to match them.

You will be able to buy both shades, in silk and wool materials, shortly.

There will be three tones of each—light for accessories, medium for frocks, dark for costumes and coats.

There will be shoes and gloves to match the deepest tones, and special stocking shades have been designed to go with both shades. The new stocking tones will have a mauish cast to link up with the blue tones of Regina and Mayflower.

The colour names are appropriate. Regina, besides being Latin for "Queen," is the name of a big Canadian town on the route of the royal tour.

"Mayflower" is a name which means a lot to Americans, and the colour is certainly reminiscent of the full-skirted lilac gowns of the Pilgrims' wives.

MAHARAJAH MARRIED

The secret bride of the thirty-year-old Maharajah of Indore is Marguerite Lawler, an American. The Maharajah, whose first wife died in 1937, announced his marriage at a special durbar at Indore recently. He met his bride in California several years ago.

I'm Tired Of Being A Star

LESLIE Howard, "fed up with life as a movie star," has refused to take his part in "Intermezzo," his new Hollywood film, unless he is made associate producer.

So David Selznick recently signed him, on in that capacity.

Howard insisted that he must have a share in the responsibility for his own picture. He first did this in "Pygmalion."

"Hollywood simply will not think of me as anything but a star," he said. "I am determined to give up acting to direct or produce. This is the only way I can make a start. Stars don't make motion pictures. It's the men who use stars in the creation of vital screen plays who keep Hollywood on the map, while the stars pose and take bows."

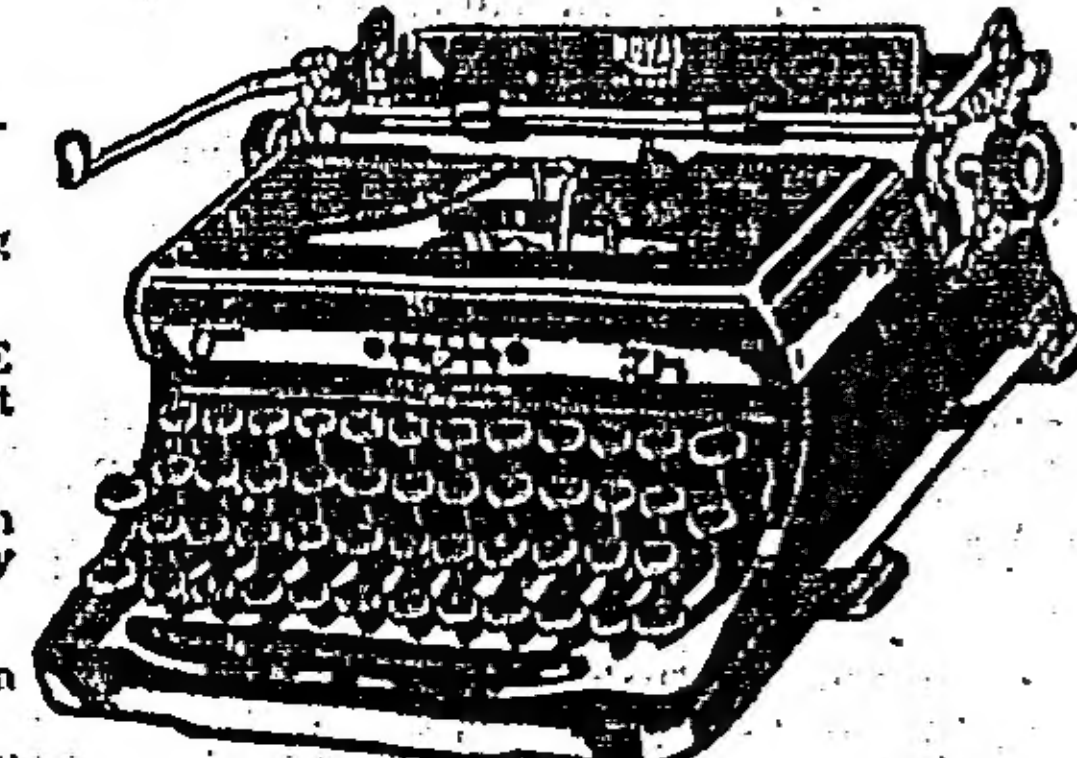
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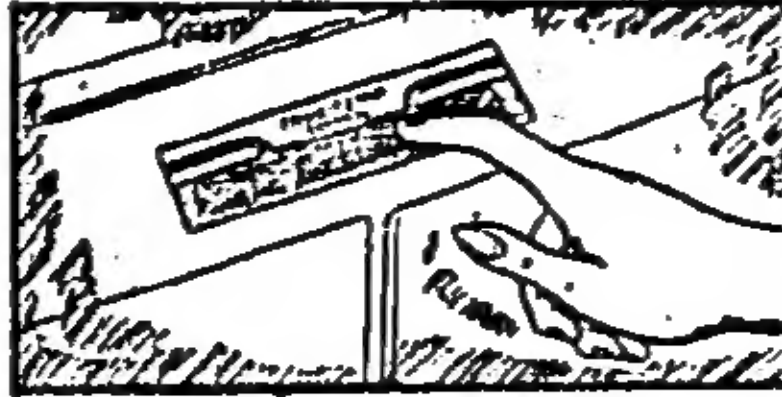
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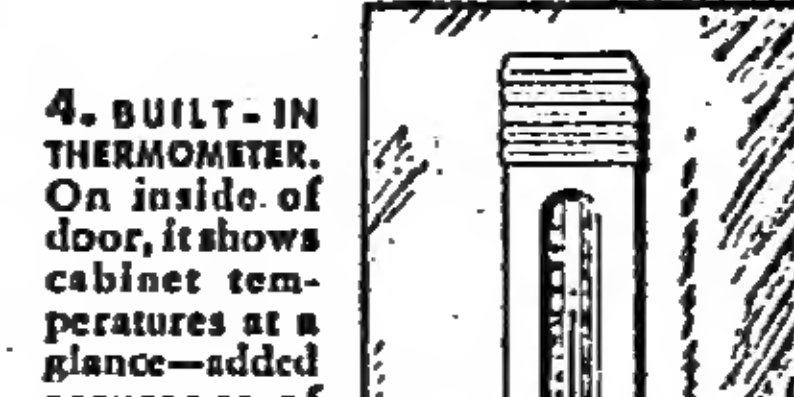
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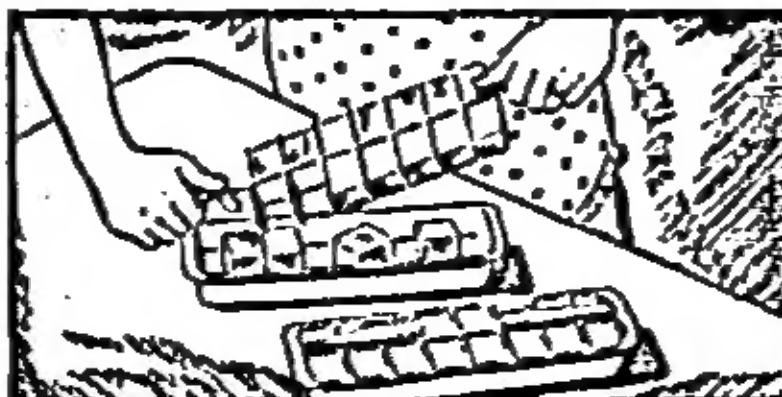


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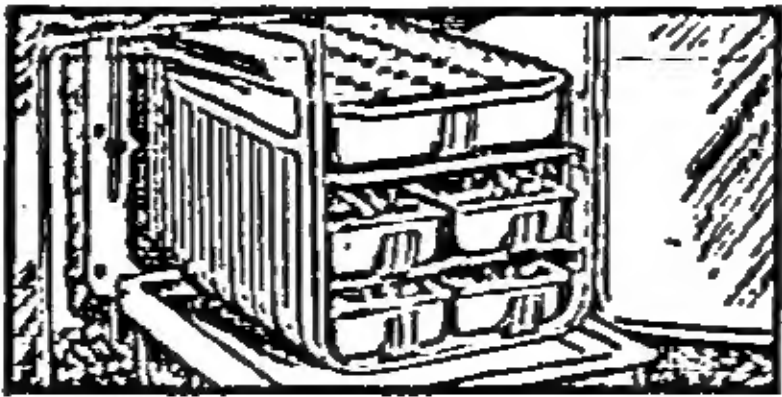
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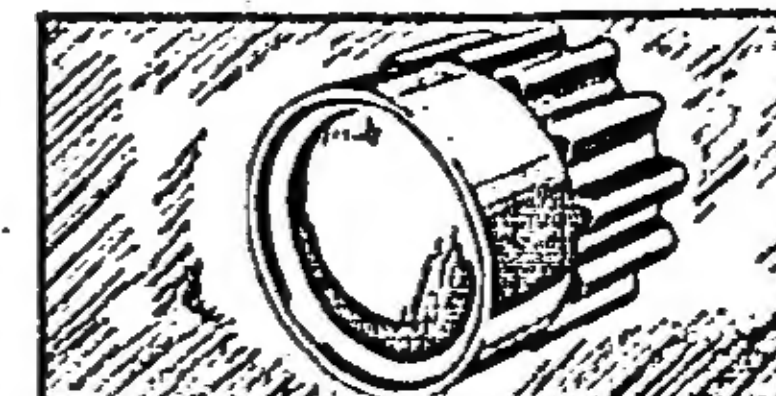
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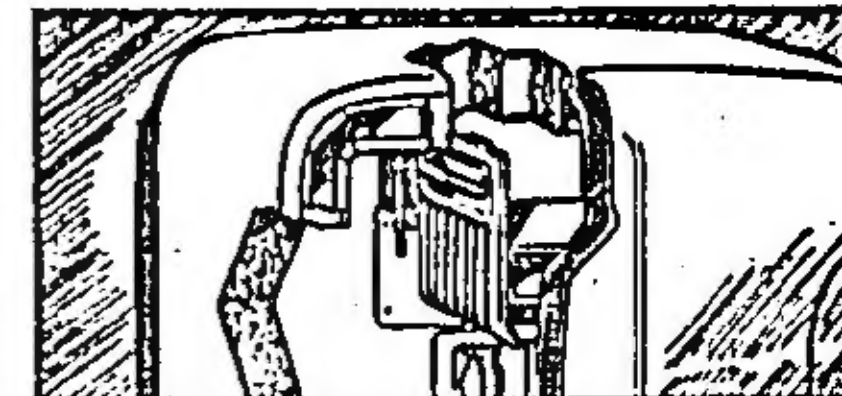
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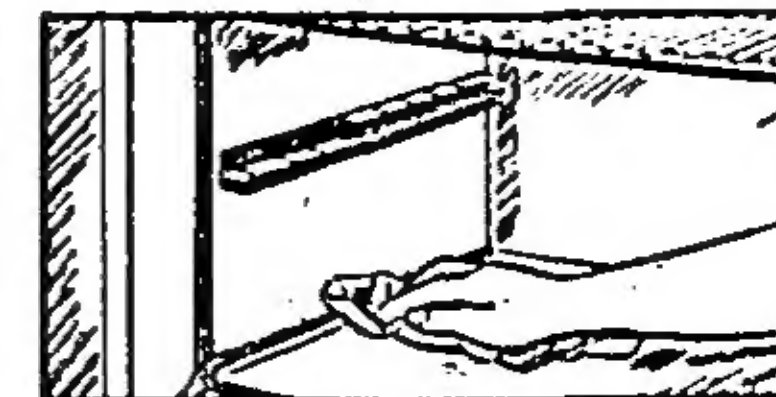
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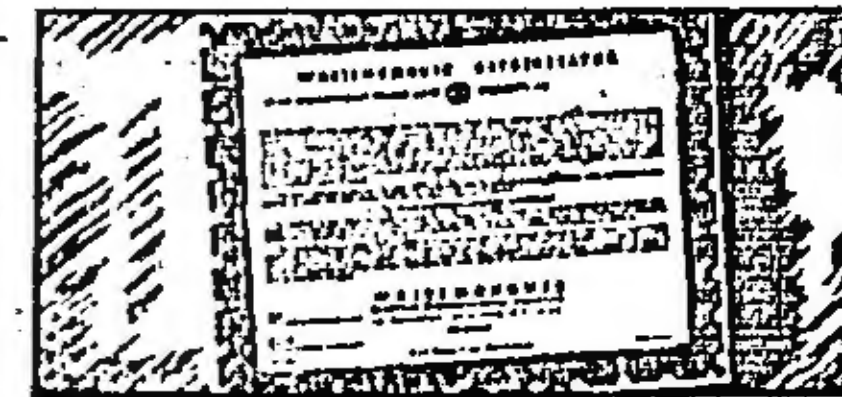
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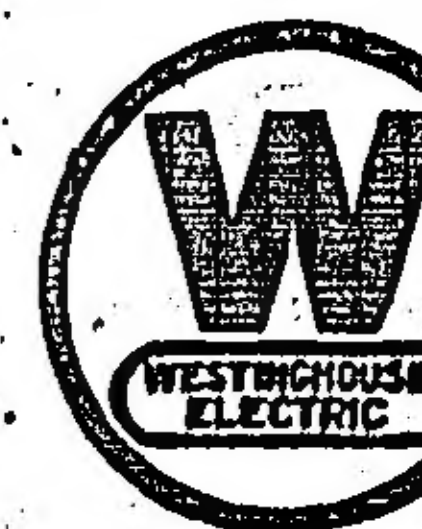
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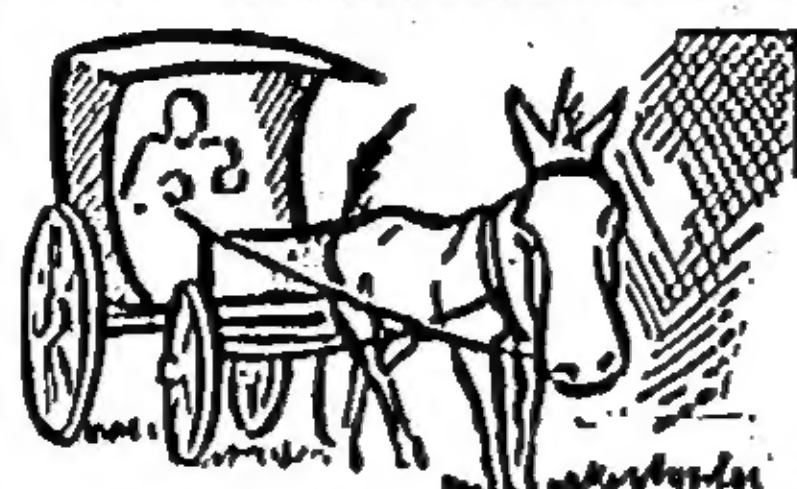
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Britain's Policy

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S Government has two voices.

Internationally, the policy of pro-eminence—which began with Spain—is causing great harm to Britain.

Take this question of Russia, for instance. The British people are not interested in whether the Russians subscribe to an ideology differing from their own. What they are interested in is the fact that, since the Bolsheviks came to power, history has proved that Russia is a peace-loving nation. Russians, like ourselves, do not want war.

That is all that matters. We want the Russians to be on our side if war is thrust upon us. But we cannot justifiably ask Russia to defend democracy if we refuse, as a *quid pro quo*, to defend Russian ideology against aggression.

The instinct of self-preservation in man is so strong that he does not mind who or what comes to his assistance when he is attacked by a beast. He is grateful only for assistance and is ready to give that same assistance to his assistant. So "it should" be with nations.

If, through Mr. Chamberlain's pro-eminentism, Russia is lost to us, or is thrown into the arms of Germany, the result to democracy will be catastrophic.

Mr. Chamberlain had the support of the bulk of the British public in his policy of appeasement. We swallowed the German seizure of Sudetenland, much against our conscience, because we believed that it would pave the way to an era of peace. We looked with hope to the policy of appeasement. Had it succeeded, Mr. Chamberlain would have gone down in history as the greatest peace-maker of all time.

Appasement has failed. Now ugly rumours arise that, despite the announced Cabinet change in international policy, Mr. Chamberlain still flirts with Hitler, with Mussolini.

The Premier's past record gives his critics this weapon. He failed democracy's bulwark, the League of Nations. He failed Czechoslovakia. He failed the League of Nations. He failed the League of Nations.

All those failures could have been forgiven, in the light of what we now know about Britain's defences, had Mr. Chamberlain continued to pursue an active anti-aggression course such as he announced after the German rape of Czechoslovakia. Instead we have had, like the Cabinet's change in international policy, under-cover diplomatic activity that is terribly and dangerously belated and slow.

At Home, a Ministry of Supply was grudgingly created, and shorn of all its powers. Although Mr. Winston Churchill was the obvious choice, a comparative nonentity was placed at its head. The Ministry of Defence, most brilliant parliamentarianism, both in the vanguard in warning of the totalitarian peril—are omitted from the Cabinet. Mr. Eden and Mr. Churchill should obviously be in the Cabinet at a critical time like this, if only to assure the British public and, more importantly, the smaller nations, who would recognise the significance of the inclusion of such out-spoken critics of Nazism and Fascism.

In the international sphere, the secrecy that has surrounded negotiations with Soviet Russia is so ominous that British people may be excused for wondering whether the Premier is pursuing an entirely honest policy.

Strangers Within Our Midst

by
N. B. WHITESTONE

MEI-MEI was hanging out a gaudy blue shirt and more sober-hued pants upon the encircling wire, cheerily though raucously warbling the while.

The helpless youthful owner of these essential garments looked on admiringly and, it is hoped, gratefully.

Time was when the mention of a Camp conjured up pleasing visions of a peaceful Thames-side retreat, the picturesque far-away, unpronounceable and unsplendourable Adirondacks, the lumberers of the Canadian backwoods, the youthful, useful independence of the Boy Scouts.

Unhappily, the recrudescence of the activities of the mailed fist has violated such pleasant recollections. "Concentration" now seems an inseparable concomitant of the word "camp," with all its sinister significance, to the utter confusion and annihilation of soothing memories.

I HAD heard much rather subtler, more gossipy, had read disabbling and subsequently discredited reports. The refugees were harshly treated; the refugees were harshly treated; the refugees were harshly treated.

So, seeing Mei-Mei cheerfully disposed, I exercised two of my half-dozen words of Cantonese, and enquired the whereabouts of the entrance.

The strictly utilitarian aspect of the exterior gives no hint of the clean, efficient, cheerful, bustling order of the interior.

Once my credentials had been carefully scrutinized, and after I had, in satisfaction of the discreetly veiled surprise at my entry, sufficiently hinted at my purpose, all was plain sailing.

I was warmly welcomed by the Camp Superintendent and the Visiting Superintendent, both of whom most courteously escorted me on this enlightening tour.

A WIDE gravelled compound—rather slick, it is true, after recent downpours—partly occupied by long timber buildings, the lofty rafters and unencumbered walls pleasantly creaked; conspicuously new and clean cement floors.

Upon each side a row of double-decker beds, each with gaily-coloured grassmat, covered with unsold, neat and tidy brown blankets.

No litter, no unsightly garments asprawl, but here and there a well-washed little towel beside the owner's bed.

Occasionally an occupant is found resting in peace, but the majority are out and about upon the compound, washing, cleaning, playing, sewing or knitting.

The whole of the work entailed in the maintenance of the camp, with the exception of the contractor's cooks and the Camp Superintendent,

Many people believe that something is happening which bodes ill for the democracies.

Nobody knows yet why M. Litvinov has resigned from the Soviet Foreign Commissariat. But everybody who has studied the man must realise that Britain has lost its most powerful friend in Russia.

Internationally, the harm caused by the British Cabinet's colour blindness in the past is, it must bluntly be recognised, not something that time can completely cure.

The damage done to British prestige by acquiescence in the rapes of Abyssinia, Spain, Czechoslovakia and Albania is reflected in the lack of confidence left by the smaller Powers in any British undertaking—expressed by the fact that, so far, the only countries who have consented to accept Britain's offer of assistance against aggressors are Poland, Rumania and Greece.

Mr. Chamberlain's own record of—put it mildly—mistaken judgment, combined with the absence from his Cabinet of the very parliamentarians whose inclusion would correct the rumours that he still has leanings towards the dictators, place serious obstacles in the way of the rapid building up of a firm front against aggression.

Those obstacles must be overcome by a much firmer display of British leadership than has been apparent since Poland joined the anti-aggression bloc.

is performed by the refugees themselves, and a most creditable performance it is; an object lesson of the results obtainable from capable and efficient management and willing co-operation on the part of the inmates.

No one sits in despondent idleness, brooding upon the terrors of the past or in apprehension of the future.

The spirit of the people is not one of resigned apathy nor of thinly veiled hostility or resentment. I was greeted everywhere respectfully and cheerfully.

The people are encouraged and given facilities to search for work, and the lucky bearer of good news is quickly surrounded and congratulated by his fellows, in refutation of the theory that "we shall never get rid of them."

ENTERING Ward A2 the eye is struck by a shining oblong mirror upon the wall, decorated with a (to me) indecipherable inscription.

It appears that there is intense competition to house this ceremonial glass, even temporarily, it being the weekly reward for the best kept hut, and is contended for with all the excitement and healthy rivalry of entries for the King's Cup.

The only disturbing note or raised voice (except in play) came from an irate and vociferous old man who was fiercely complaining that someone had soiled his nice clean floor and might disqualify his hut.

A BAND of healthy-looking, sun-tanned youngsters play basketball.

Over the way girls and boys line up, standing well to attention under the guidance of a physical instructor. Their performance ends with the singing of Chinese action songs and "God Save the King" in—so I was given to understand—English.

These musical efforts were ably and amusingly conducted by a small blue-clad girl who displayed all the aptitude, including the physical vigour, of an incipient Leopold Stowowski.

In the airy, cheery, trim and tidy classroom, furnished with bright new polished desks and forms, the children daily gather for instruction, to an limited accommodation at present available necessitating relays of the teachers after knowledge.

A workshop where brooms, brushes, matting and baskets are produced.

The isolation ward, fortunately with but few patients.

The gleaming dispensary, dustless rows of glittering bottles upon the white enamelled shelves; the alert and pleasant girl dispenser still hard at work. Here the children are weighed weekly, and from the number of fat and sunny little faces which I saw around, I was not surprised to hear that the dial oscillates in a highly satisfactory manner.

Hot baths are provided once a week—and more often if individual circumstances necessitate. Abundant water for bathing and washing.

TO THE Dining Hall. With this huge family of some 1,000 people (of both sexes and all ages) meals must be served in relays. I attended the children's session.

They marched in two by two, orderly, eager, clean and cheerful; but here and there a peaked little face, from which time has been yet insufficient to efface the terrors of the recent past.

Two long rows of well-scrubbed tables; four long rows of quiet, busy little feeders.

No quarrelling, no shouting or pushing. No hint of compulsion anywhere. The atmosphere rather of a well-conducted school. A few against aggressors are Poland, Rumania and Greece.

I saw the food in preparation in the airy, well-kept and odourless kitchens, where great piles of giant leavings were shredded, huge heaps of beans chopped.

I was shown a specimen menu of fish, red and white rice and vegetables which can, unblazoned and in modest silence, succour the untimely of an alien race with such undeniable ability and humanity.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"He wants to look at me through an X-ray machine—if he's as smart as old Doc Smithers was I should think he'd be able to guess what's wrong with me!"

MR. PEPYS in HONGKONG

28th.—Seeing that last night the weather had been fair, though cool, when I did wake I was much at a stonde to find that the rain falls heavily. Though indeed I had warned all my friends the night before that my rheumatick shoulder did prease rain, for it ached sadly. To my office where I did order my papers and then fell to reading of the newest-sheet, but Lord! I am nigh to vomiting at the factious way in which the Labour party do seek to avoid Conscription which is long overdue, being in fear of their precious unions which more than once did bring us to a sorry stonde in the Great War. For still we do seem to toy with our fanstuck ideals of some fifteen years gone when men did believe that decomposing mass the League of Nations to be of some avail. And Heaven alone doth know how many men shall soon perish for this political flatulency. For in these days we are come to see that a shrewd blow with the foot in the small clothes of your opponent is worth all the verbiage of a stupid and visionary Cecil. This day Mr. A. Jay returns and with him Mr. Nick. They did eat their nunchoon with me. Home pretty belines and so to bed.

29th.—A most foule day, the rain falling about eight of the clock as heavy as possible. All the clocks be streams and all the nullahs torrents. I am soaked to the skin long before I am come to my office and do off all my garments, and praise Heaven I do keep a dry store below. To an official reception but Lord! the man who did build houses two hundred stem above Conduit Road would erect villas upon the peaks of Hell. Yet I do suppose they were built in the good days when there were few motor coaches and no traffick Watch, when men did live more leisurely and go about in sedan chairs. And I do verily wish that I had spent my service in this Colony in those good times when life was but a simple matter and these young wenches did not dance the Can-Can even if they did live in the Nineties. Home to my nunchoon, a thing I have not done on a Saturday these many weeks and after sleeping and reading.

30th. (Lord's Day).—Up betimes and ordering my chamber and indeed most of the house for I do perceive that the boys and coolie bee grown most monstrous idle. A damp day

of the comestibles served have been the subject of strict and careful investigation, with a view to providing the uttermost value for money. Further, efforts are made to serve such foods as can, when the refugees eventually return to their homes, be readily obtained in the villages; valuable information should have been obtained by them as to food values and possibilities.

THE CAMP is a decisive negation of the theory that Chinese of the poorer classes in the mass cannot be kept clean and orderly. Here they are encouraged to take an active and intelligent interest in the communal life.

Efficient control there is and must be, to the uninitiated it is unperceived and unobtrusive; there is one lone Chinese policeman at the gate.

Of late the head of many a Briton must have dropped in humiliation. If mine was among the number, then the Government of Hongkong has done no signal service.

Leaving King's Park, I felt up-rising pride in my nation; in a country which can, unblazoned and in modest silence, succour the untimely of an alien race with such undeniable ability and humanity.

with light fog but no rain, and I do read "Atalanta in Calydon" in my garden, beating time to the choruses, which I do read aloud, until I do put my god-son John in fear of his life. To nunchoon where two of my guests doo faile mee, one playing at hockey and the other, as I believe, hockey, though shee did claim to bee sick. However one comes, and later her Lord and a purser from the guardship and so a pretty merry dinner after which wee doo settle the future of Europe. And so to bed.

1st, May.—To office and after to the German Clubbe where I doo meet some good friends of mine. And though our countries may have differences I am not minded to let them deter from my friendships. Very busy in the office with my papers and I must needs take my nunchoon there as at five I doo take Mistress M. to the pictures. But Lord! Shee will not to Kidnapped in which I did hope to see C. Aubrey Smith, but must needs goe elsewhere, and what I did think of the picture by setting down. Shee too is pretty disgruntled so to Repulse Bay for our dinner where the rain falls mightily heavy but later stops and so wee doo come home dry. And I am minded to goe there again when the weather bee fairer.

2nd, May.—Down by Tramme and by the time I doo reach my office I am all of a much sweat, so that I must change every garment. But after I bee at my papers for an hour or so I must needs do on warm clothes. Did take my nunchoon at the hostelry with Mr. Nick and Mr. A. Jay, they eating Chinese food which makes me mighty envious as my chyrurgeon doth forbid mee all hot chicken or fish plainly cooked. At five I am bidden to play at cards at Mr. Lord's, but doo hold the most foule cards and I doo rue to win a rubber. Cost mee twenty-five shilling. However the biggest winner did very courteous / lend mee his car to go to my house, and then to dinner with my Children and so to bed.

3rd.—Up very betimes and as cold a day as ever I doo remember after the first of May, or so it seems upon the Peak. Yet it may bee it was as cold when upon a June day these several years wee did have a fire in Mr. E. Mitchell's house in Shek O while wee did listen to the broadcast of a Test Match. To my office and reading in the newest sheetes I doo find one more aire-crash in Malaya where it seems the sky doth rain aircraft at times and it is in my mind that it were better we doo rest of the populace that they doo teach these young men to fly before they may go joy-riding in a plane. But whether it bee due to rubber restriction or no I cannot toll. This evening to Dr. S. Strahan's farewell party and Lord! how old it makes me to feel for I doo recall his coming in 1916 as I doo believe, and now he goes. But I had been here five years in 1910 and know not when I shall depart. So I become somewhat melancholique until I doo pass to Mr. Lofly's party where I drink a glass or two of strong waters and so doo recover my spirits somewhat.

4th.—This day dawns warm but foggy. Having ordered my papers I doo cut upon the captain of the King's Great Shippe Medway, and later to hold some discussion in the wardrobe upon an old point of naval history. Very busy all day and home early and so to bed.

WOMAN OPERATES MINE

Jessup, Pa. Mrs. Anna Sklepko, 24-year-old Jessup widow, believes she is the only woman anthracite operator. She is the head of the Eklensko Coal Company, which employs 20 men and mines 25 to 40 tons of coal a day.

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REGISTRY WEDDING. Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Browne leaving the Registrar's Office after their recent marriage. The bride was formerly Miss Margaret Katherine Murray.—*King's Studio.*



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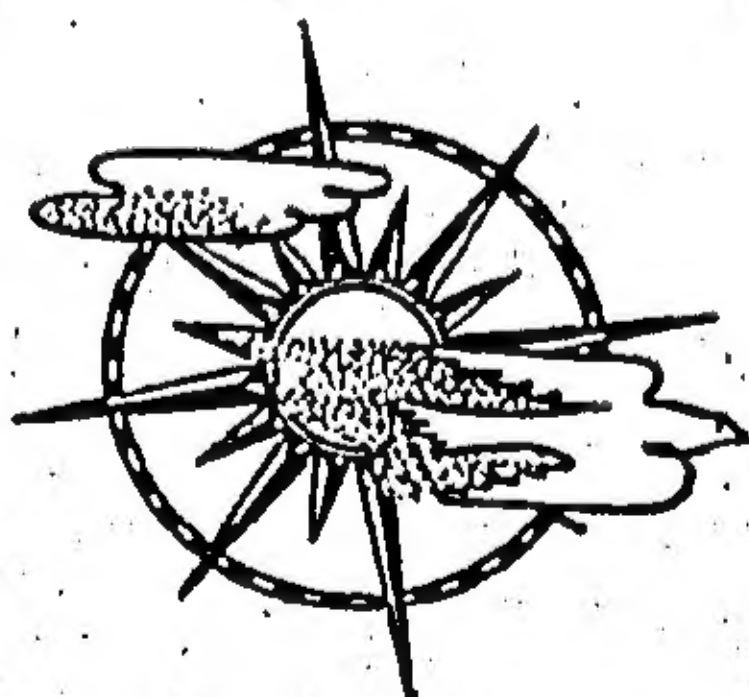
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Answers on Page Three

1. Which of these took part in the famous visit to Widdicombe Fair?

Sam Small Dan'l Whiddon
Jan Stewer Harry Hawke
Peter Russell Bob Pretty

2. In which languages were these written? The:—

(a) Gospel ac- (c) Hlawatha
cording to St. (d) Hlad
John. (e) Divine
(b) Rubaiyat of Comedy
Omair Khayyam (f) Arabian Nights

3. "The lights are going out in Europe," said:

Pitt Sir Edward Grey
Dracon Wellington

4. Tennyson wrote "Idylls of the King," the king being:—

Alfred Richard Coeur
Arthur de Lion
Charlemagne Cymbeline

5. Before the war (a) Menelland and (b) the rest of Lithuania belonged to:—

Finland Sweden
Poland Austria-
Germany Hungary
Russia

6. How many men are there on each side in (a) Draughts and (b) Chess:

8 12
6 16
7 24

7. "I came, I saw, I conquered," said:—

Julius Caesar Clive
Hitler Napoleon
Trotzky

8. "Curmudgeon" is used correctly in one of these sentences:—

(a) Germany obtained many planes, howitzers and curmudgeons in Czechoslovakia.

(b) Serbs, Croats, Albanians, Turks and Curmudgeons were a few of the subject races in the Turkish Empire.

(c) Dr. Johnson must have been an awful old curmudgeon.

(d) When milk comes off the boil it starts to curmudgeon.

(e) They beat him senseless with their curmudgeons.

9. Lager is:

Beer made without hops
Without malt

With a large proportion of hops
Subjected to fermentation at low temperature

Any beer that comes from Germany

10. In which American State is or was:

(a) Hollywood

(b) The place where the Mayflower landed

(c) Miami

(d) The Declaration of Independence signed

(e) Chicago

(f) The first English settlement

11. Which of these characters were created by Charles Dickens:—

Mr. Jingle Edna May Oliver

Mr. Bingley Polly Peachum Bill Sikes

12. Sir John Simon, who sits for Spenn Valley, will now fight:—

Oxford Montrose

University Yarmouth

City of London Colchester

13. He nothing common did or mean

Upon that memorable scene

Who didn't and what was the scene?

14. (a) Scottish and (b) Irish members of the House of Lords are:—

Appointed by the Crown

Legislators by hereditary right

Elected for life of a Parliament

15. Which of these are English breeds of sheep:—

North Down Hereford

South Down Canterbury

Witney Suffolk

16. In what city is the:—

(a) White House

(b) Brown House

(c) Maurit House

(d) Trinity House

(e) Trinity Hall

(f) The Jew's House

17. Which of these railways still exist:

London and North Eastern

Great Western

London and South Western

Midland

Great Northern

Grand Trunk (of Canada)

18. One of these is a National Forest Park:—

Forest of Dean New Forest

Ashdown Forest Epping Forest

19. Where were the first Olympic Games held?

20. What was the real surname of:—

(a) Dante (d) 1st Duke of

(b) Voltaire Marlborough

(c) Boz (e) Trotsky

(f) Lenin

Puzzle Corner

Cryptogram

An anonymous quotation on the subject of "fine feathers" that make "fine birds" forms the basis of to-day's cryptogram:

"NQZ XZ YXNABXC DEB
FEGJY NE KBQLJ NMJGZJ
COZJ EY DQYJ PCENMJZ XZ
NQZ DEB X KJXPEPS NE
ZKBXJL MQZ NXQC."

Word Diamond

Words are to be filled in which read the same both across and down. Definitions are given below:

(1) 500. (2) Drink in small amounts. (3) Steady gaze. (4) A gem. (5) Haughty. (6) Conclusion. (7) 500.

Letter Changing

By transferring the first letter from MITE to the end of the word, we have ITEM. This gives an opportunity to change MITE to ITEM in 10 moves—or fewer.

How Much Has Each?

Messrs. A, B, and C each have the same number of pennies, quarters, and dollars, respectively. If they have \$18.90 altogether, how much has each?

Fun With Synonyms

Wednesday brings another list of words and their synonyms:

1 effective	emphasized
2 unusual	individual
3 opposite	impressive
4 notable	spokane
5 oral	amicable
6 decorative	patience
7 partial	concealed
8 enduring	striking
9 peaceful	peevish
10 personal	biased

SLEUTHS OF THE SEA

Detectives' Work on Luxury Liners

do not like the idea, and that is one of the reasons that the steamship companies keep very quiet about the arrangements they make to protect their passengers.

Your good sea-sleuth must be a man who can play a good game of cards, hold his liquor well, and be able to mix with all sorts and conditions of men and women. He must dress well but not too well and have a knowledge of languages and of various races, their manners and social castes. He must know his ship as well as any officer, and be on good terms with the official police of the various ports at which the ship may touch.

This applies especially to pleasure cruisers, where inexperienced passengers often go ashore and lose money or valuables or get themselves mixed up in some trouble. Ship officers have enough work to do nowdays in having to rescue passengers from harpies ashore, and while the sea-sleuth has no official status on land he can be very useful both to the company which pays him and to the shore police, let alone the passengers.

There are sharks on board ship as well as in the sea, and here your detective of the passenger service has his hardest work when he has to rescue some innocent from their jaws.

There are none so deaf as those who will not hear, and the beautiful young grass-widow from Memphis, Tennessee, or Cleveland, Ohio, thinks she knows all about this wicked world and will not take notice of quiet words of warning. Our own young people are more amenable to reason, but it is the middle-aged English business man who usually falls into the clutches of the sharks, or the clergyman who, after long years of toil in his parish, is treating himself to a pleasure trip.

The South Americans are another problem. Many of them will carry large rolls of bank notes, and their women are not careful of their jewellery. An Argentine millionaire cattle-breeder will gamble heavily at stud-poker and go to sleep with his winnings under his pillow. What a temptation to the astute "cut-throat" or dishonest steward for our millionaire will have consumed

LUXURY liners and the popularity of pleasure cruises have provided sea-captains who are responsible for good order on board their ships with a serious problem.

The professional gambler has "played the liners" ever since the Atlantic became a highway; in fact, a skipper of my acquaintance swears that the original card-room expert went out with Christopher Columbus and that his descendants have been rooking travellers ever since.

But it is not the gambler who worries the captain so much nowadays. Most of the clever-fingered gentry are well known, but other crooks have discovered that big ships carry infinite possibilities of loot.

Hence your sea-sleuth and your confidence men and women who invade the luxury liners, not to mention black-mailers. To deal with these folk the steamship companies have had to employ special detectives who work with the aid of official police departments and with that of United States Customs agents, who travel to and fro on most of the big steamship routes in order to keep an eye on smugglers.

Must Not Look the Part

Your sea-sleuth must not look like a policeman or give the slightest hint he is a detective. That would annoy a number of the passengers, apart from the crooks. Often, the only man who knows his real identity on board ship is the purser.

The work of sea sleuths, is not unlike that of insurance investigators. There must be no scandal and no prosecution. If possible, crimes on the high seas must be kept out of the shipping companies any good. They must be and publicity.

The greatest difficulty the detective has is dealing with the silly women with money who are to be found nowhere in such numbers as on board the big liners and pleasure-cruisers. These good ladies, who are probably monuments of all the virtues in their home towns, go all crazy directly they set foot on board ship. They are almost defenceless prey for all sorts of adventurers and gophers who still abound in numbers in the mercenary, both North and South. They land themselves in the most compromising situations, and the detective has to be extremely tactful and worldly-wise to steer them out of entangling positions. Even then they turn on him, in many cases, and even report him to the ship's officers for interfering with them.

Man of Many Talents

The man responsible for the ship's intelligence work may have two or three unofficial lieutenants in the crew. In certain cases he may plant men or women in his employ among the crew as stewards or stewardesses or even as deckhands. It is a big job to preserve law and order in a big ship which carries several hundred passengers, often of all nations, not to mention a large crew. The reaction of passengers when they know that there is a detective on board is usually unfavourable. Most of them

BRIDGE PROBLEM SOLUTIONS

SOLUTION TO PROBLEM 100

South wins the first trick with the ace of spades, and follows with the queen of clubs, which East wins. East returns spade eight, which South covers with the jack. West wins with queen, North discarding a small club. West leads a small heart, on which North plays the queen. East wins with the ace, East puts South in the lead with a small diamond.

South leads a small spade which West wins with the four, North and East discarding diamonds. West leads heart five, which North covers with the ten. East plays the jack and South wins with the king.

South now runs off three spades on which North discards a heart, a diamond, and a club. South wins with diamond ace, and follows with Club deuce, and North wins two more tricks with king-ten of clubs.

If at trick three, East lead a diamond, South himself will lead the jack of spades.

This was little more than an exercise in correct defence and the best method of defeating it. North should never be allowed to get in the lead except in clubs, and North-South should not be able to win more than one heart, a suit which should be led by West only. East's ace of clubs should be extirpated early. South's queen must be used for the purpose.

A Lay Sermon

IT is to be feared that not a few easy-chair Christians have made of these words a lullaby for their consciences. They have read into them something that isn't there, something which justifies inaction when, to them, it appears the easier course.

Whatever the passage may mean, it does not mean that God is still to sit still. It is speaking of ISRAEL, xxx. 7. His rebellious people, and warning them not to "add sin to sin" by turning to Egypt instead of to Him for help in the troubles occasioned by their rebellion.

The reference may be to Egypt, as a land that would not stir a finger to help them, or it may be read in relation to verse 15, as a word of command to Israel in special circumstances.

We should do well to take the warning to ourselves, and not add to our sins by turning to the wrong quarter for deliverance when we are overtaken by their consequences. But we are certainly not being told to adopt a do-nothing policy. Rather are we being exhorted to seek, through quiet faith, that strength from God, through Christ, in which we can do all things.

Tiresome Telephone Talkers

DO you use or abuse the telephone? All the difference in the world lies between those two words. Telephone talkers are divided into two kinds—those who use the service when the need arises and those who regard it as an instrument for desultory conversation, or a vent for a bad temper.

There are a surprisingly large number of the latter, and the odd thing is that their offences arise because they will not realise that courtesy and thoughtfulness are as necessary in communicating on the wire as anywhere else.

The man who occupies a public "phone-box for a quarter of an hour when others are waiting patiently to make urgent calls would be furious at the suggestion that he was behaving badly. So would the friend who makes a point of ringing up late at night when most people are ready for bed; and will not curtail his conversation despite the none-too-tactful reminders of the lateness of the hour.

Under this heading, too, comes the wife who rings up her husband at the office with unimportant domestic messages, and cannot be made to understand that the wire is being used all day for urgent calls and she is justly blocking it.

As a some-time telephone operator, I have been amazed at the display of bad temper by subscribers either through being unable to obtain a number, by being cut off in the middle of a conversation, or by some other person cutting in on the line.

I believe it is because the speakers cannot see each other. A man will be much more abusive in his anger if he is in the dark, or shouting at someone in another room, than if he will face to face with the other person.

Presumably this difficulty will be surmounted if and when television replaces the use of the telephone, but if everyone were unselfish and polite in his use of the telephone, what a perfect service it would be!

Kathleen Treves

IMBIBERS GET BREAK

MELBOURNE, Australia. Australia is the one country in the world where a drinker really gets a break. Police courts are not allowed to accept the testimony of a policeman that a man is drunk. Only the testimony of a medical man is legal on that point.

plenty of champagne before retiring. At one time this was so common an occurrence that the New York-Panama boats that clever thieves used to bribe their way in as stewards.

On British lines the crew and ship's staff are usually old servants of the company or men and women who have come well-recommended. So detective work on one of these ships is easier than on an American vessel, where crews are here to-day and gone next week. But even then precautions have to be taken against possible black sheep, especially when there is a big shipment of bullion aboard, or some woman with a large fortune in jewellery which she does not confide to the purser's keeping for bestowal in the ship's safe.

Words from the Captain

The authority of a captain on the high seas is absolute, but naturally he does not want to manifest this too much on a passenger cruise, and he does so only as a last resort.

Sometimes the skipper, after a report from the ship's detective, will send for a passenger and give him (or her) a few plitty words of advice. It may be a young man with not too much sense or a wealthy woman who is indiscreet. On the other hand, it may be a Cuban adventurer posing as a famous Spanish dancer, or a pseudo-nobleman who is "on the black," hoping to compromise some grass-widow or silly girl.

James L. Hawkins

Novelist Wife Ready "To Go To Prison"

Mrs. R. H. Rash—otherwise Doreen Wallace, the novelist—who is chairman of the National Tithepayers Association, has been threatened with bankruptcy unless she pays £103 arrears to the Tithe Commission.

She and her husband, a farmer, live at Wotham Manor, Ipswich, which was the scene of the famous 1934 "bottle" in which police made arrests and £470 worth of stock was seized.

Mrs. Rash is puzzled why she should be threatened with bankruptcy while other farmers have had their stock impounded.

"I think it is because the commission fear another war," she said.

She says she is ready to go to prison for the tithepayers' cause.

News About Music

THE news that the Czech National Opera is not to visit London this season is a dismal disappointment. Such a visit would have been welcome at any time and it is to be hoped that it really is only postponed.

Heaven knows there is little enough chance to hear operas at Covent Garden outside the stock run of pieces, put on to attract holders. And now Smetana's "Secret" and Dvorak's "Rusalka" are to be denied.

The Covent Garden authorities are certainly having a rough passage this year. Their difficulties, as regrettable as they are understandable, are by now common property and since that is the case it may be permitted that a potential member of their audience suggests a few works which would fill the gap left by the Czechs more interestingly than repeats of Puccini. Now that the principle has been established of admitting even a mere couple of new works new but unknown operas to the repertoire of the International Season, let us do all we can to support the venture.

I suggest we be presented some modern French operas. In the circumstances, time being desperately short, the obvious choice is Ravel's exquisite and extremely witty "L'Heure Espagnole." It would not be difficult to put on, for there is no chorus and if the five singers cannot

be found in England (though I imagine some of them might), Paris could immediately supply our needs. There is time enough to arrange this, especially in view of Covent Garden's propensity for getting foreign artists flown over to London at a moment's notice. The orchestral side of the business is provided for "L'Heure Espagnole" is a one-act opera. It therefore could form part of a double bill with, say, Puccini's "Gianni Schicchi."

But there are other one-act operas, and modern French at that, which would suitably partner the Ravel work and be diverting to hear. There are, for instance, the two short operas by Darius Milhaud, "Les Pauvres Matelots" and "Ester de Carpentras."

Then there is Honegger's one-act "Judith" and the Napoleonic opera "L'Aiglon," which he wrote in collaboration with Jacques Ibert. This has lately been played in Paris and the material should be easily available for London.

Finally, seeing that Poland is much in our thoughts at present, why not put on the great Polish national opera, "Halka" by Moniuszko?

Those who have seen it in Warsaw speak of it with interest. It appears to be for Poland what "Boris Godunov" is for Russia. And then there is Simone Mayr's "Leonora" produced in the same year as Beethoven's "Fidelio" and founded on the same libretto, but with the action placed in Poland instead of Spain.

SCOTT GODDARD



BETTY THE NAIL BITER

She was painfully thin and nervous



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WELL, THANKS! I'LL GET SOME MORE FOR BETTY TOMORROW MORNING.

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JUST LOOK AT THIS, MOMMY! SEE HOW SHE'S GAINED IN NO TIME AT ALL!

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THE NEXT SCHOOL PARTY

MRS. PLETCHER, I CAN'T GET OVER THE CHANGE THAT'S COME OVER YOUR BETTY LATELY! SHE LOOKS LIKE A DIFFERENT CHILD!

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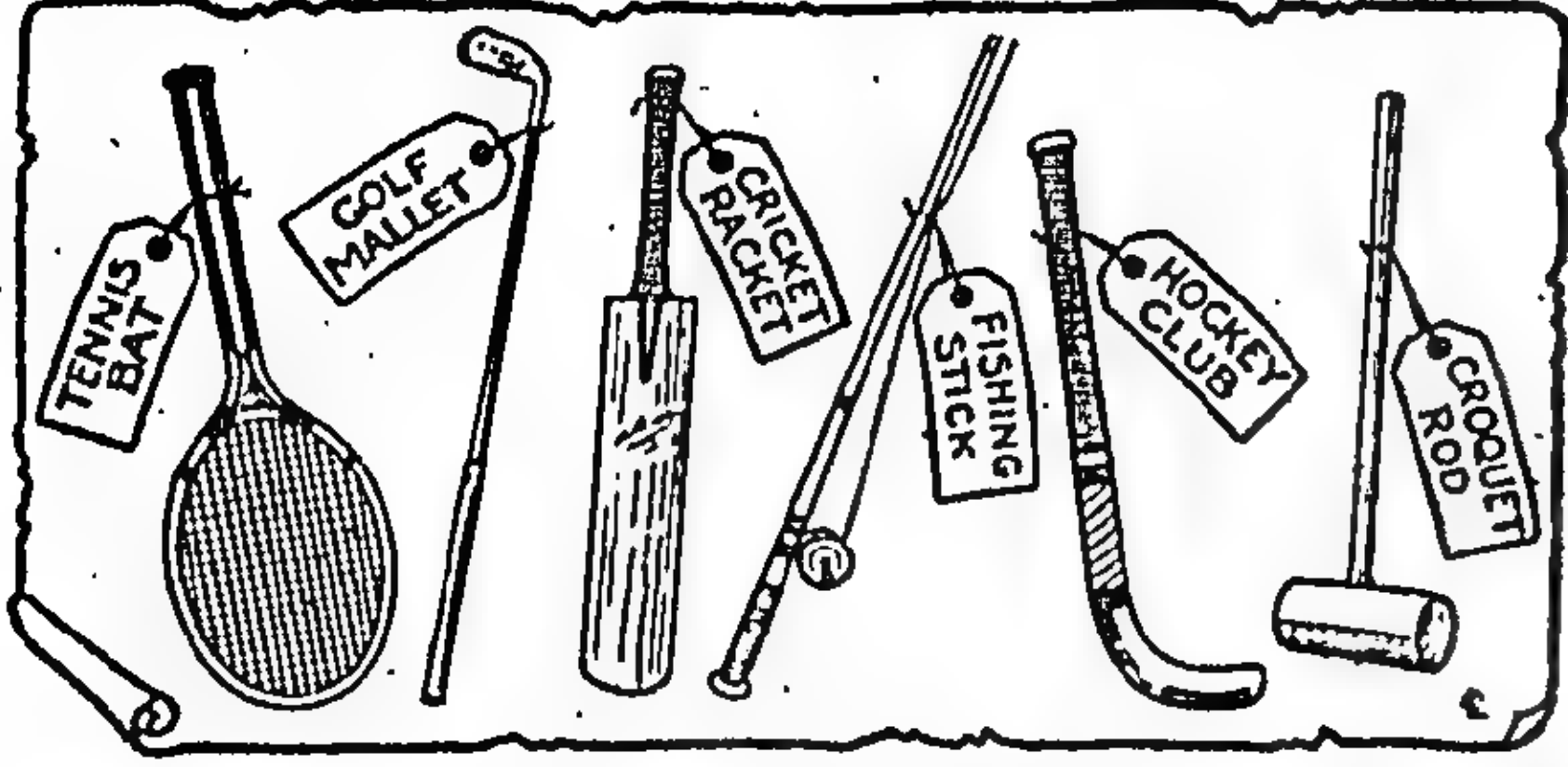
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Dear Kiddies,

Last week's "Maze" competition was really too easy, I think. As there were so many correct answers, I had to carefully decide on the winning entries, taking into consideration age and neatness of handwriting.

The prize-winners this week are:

Glenda Gipperich (aged 12), 178, The Peak.
Judith Hall (aged 10 1/2), Ling Yan Tai, Shatin.

I. C. McNay (aged 8), c/o Naval Yard, Kowloon.

Coupons have been sent to Glenda, Judith and I. C. McNay which I want them to bring to the "Hongkong Telegraph" offices in Wyndham Street. The coupons will then be exchanged for money prizes.

Specially commended for good work are the following:

Seniors: Joseph Thomas Lai, C. E. Clark, W. Ribeiro, L. Becker, Albert Remedios, G. Jhamat, George Hassan, V. Idefonso, Bobby Stott, Carmen Tavares, Kun Yuet-hung, Betty O'Hoy, E. Xavier, H. R. Rocha, R. A. Rocha, Paul Vessoum, Dwight Edwins, Mary An. C. Ross, Derek Stokoe, Betty Becker, Wong Yung-ting, Alice Lee, W. Mak, Regina Xavier, M.

Leung, Beryl Wong, Franchot Fung, Gerald Soong, Kostia Daniloff, Susan Gehring.

Intermediates: Roberto de Sousa, Donald Marshall, Shirley Boyle, Rui Cunha, J. Silver, S. Nelson, Mary Grimmit, Chan Fung-lune, Vera Rumlanseff, C. Bonhoff, Joan Daniel, Chandru Heera, K. Ghanumal, S. S. Bux, Sheila Nelson.

Juniors: Anthony Cather, Gerry Pinna, P. Wong, Gerald Marshall, John White, David Asche, B. Phillips, Alex Sales, A. Rauf, Mary Wong, June Gordon, Frank Daniel, Sylvia Todd, George Elliott, Alec Pan.

This week, kiddies, we are having an interesting type of competition. Study the picture above and you will notice that the different sporting goods are called by the wrong name. For instance, the first one should be "Tennis Racket".

When you have discovered their correct names write them neatly in order, all in the name, age and address coupon and send to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph", Wyndham Street. The competition closes at 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

Prizes will again be given, age and neatness of handwriting being taken into consideration.

Best wishes, kiddies.

Uncle Eddie

The SNAPSHOT GUILD

Fascination of the Miniature Camera



The original negative of this picture is about the size of a postage stamp. It was snapped from the second row of a theater on ultra-fast film with the lens at f.2, the exposure 1/250 second at a moment of slight pause in the action.

THE frequent appearance in magazines and newspapers of striking "off-guard" snapshots of prominent persons, such as society folk dining in a restaurant, or "society shots" of the changing expressions of an after-dinner speaker, prompts from many readers the question, "How were these pictures taken?" The answer in the case of many of these pictures is the high-speed, large-lens miniature camera and the new ultra-fast film, which in combination often make possible snapshots at night without extra illumination of the subject.

The use of miniature cameras, not alone for "off-guard" photography but for daytime portrait studies and "scenes" of which they are also highly capable, has grown with startling speed. Mims are available that are especially suited to this kind of work. These pocket-size but powerful, precision-built cameras seem to have for many, the fascination of the high-powered automobile and are bought despite their higher cost, because "you can go places with them."

Just what is a high-speed miniature camera? Essentially it is a very small roll-film camera with a very large aperture lens such as one rated at f.2. The exposure required with an f.2 lens is only 1/90th of that needed for the f.5.6 lens which is considered a "fast" lens on the ordinary amateur camera.

Without going into the technical reasons, it is possible to use a much

larger and consequently much faster lens on a miniature camera than would be practicable on the average size camera. The small size, the ultra-fast lens combined with new extra-fast film, make it possible to snap pictures under conditions which are difficult for larger cameras with slower lenses.

You can carry a "minnie" around in your pocket and whip it out for any occasion. With good judgment for correct exposure you can make snapshots on the stage of a theater, in a night club, at a prize fight or at night on a brightly illuminated street.

Miniature camera negatives must, of course, be enlarged to obtain prints satisfactory to look at. Some miniature cameras use 35-mm. motion picture size film and give up to 26 pictures to the roll; others use somewhat larger sizes, 8 or 16 pictures to a roll. Owing to the relatively low cost of the small-sized film, the expense per picture for average-size enlargements is not much greater than a contact print from the larger film used in a camera of ordinary size.

The technique of taking pictures with a miniature is not much different from that with the ordinary focusing camera, but there is a valuable point to remember. Because of its light weight and small size, it is more difficult to hold a miniature camera steady. Since sharp negatives are essential in this work, steadiness is of prime importance.

John van Guilder.

BOOK REVIEWS:

How Britain is governed

FIRST-CLASS books on practical politics, as people who like reading them know, are a very scarce commodity. To the small store of them, add these two.

Michael Stewart's *The British Approach to Politics* (Allen and Unwin, 7s. 6d.) contains the best description yet read of the British democratic system as a piece of practical machinery. It explains very simply how the system works and fits together in Parliament, in local government, in Imperial government, and as part of the British Commonwealth.

There are two things about his book, apart from its accuracy and fairness, which most readers will like. It embodies a good deal of personal experience as a young politician, and it is written with a moving warmth of affection for democracy as a result of that experience.

political and economic power, intelligence and culture.

As a city, London gets poor marks, and Dr. Robson puts his finger on the reason why when he says that the disintegration of power, among 120 separate authorities has resulted in the entire absence of any plan to guide its development.

He proposes the creation of a Regional Council for the London Area, which would administer the services in which the whole of London is interested.

It is a confirmation of the wisdom of that judgment that, working from his personal experience, at County Hall, Mr. Herbert Morrison was led to formulate the same conclusion in his book, *How Greater London is Governed*.

Not To Drive For 20 Years

A LORRY DRIVER who said he was subject to attacks of "blankness" was fined £10 and disqualified for 20 years at Nottingham recently.

He was Jack Bygrave, of Eastwood, Nottinghamshire, and he was summoned for dangerous driving as the result of a fatal accident.

The prosecution alleged that Bygrave continued for 232 yards after his lorry had struck a cyclist, who died the same night.

He deposited the cycle, which had been carried between the front wheels, in a house. He did not go back to pick up the cyclist.

Bygrave was stated to have declared that "everything went black" as he rounded the corner, and in the witness-box he said he could remember nothing of the accident.

He said he had suffered from attacks of blankness for years, but had not disclosed the fact in his applications for a driving licence.

A doctor said he had known Bygrave to have such an attack.

Puzzle Corner Answers

Cryptogram: "Tis as natural for women to pride themselves on fine clothes as 'tis for a peacock to spread his tail."

Word Diamond: D, Slip, Stare, Diamond, Proud, End, D.

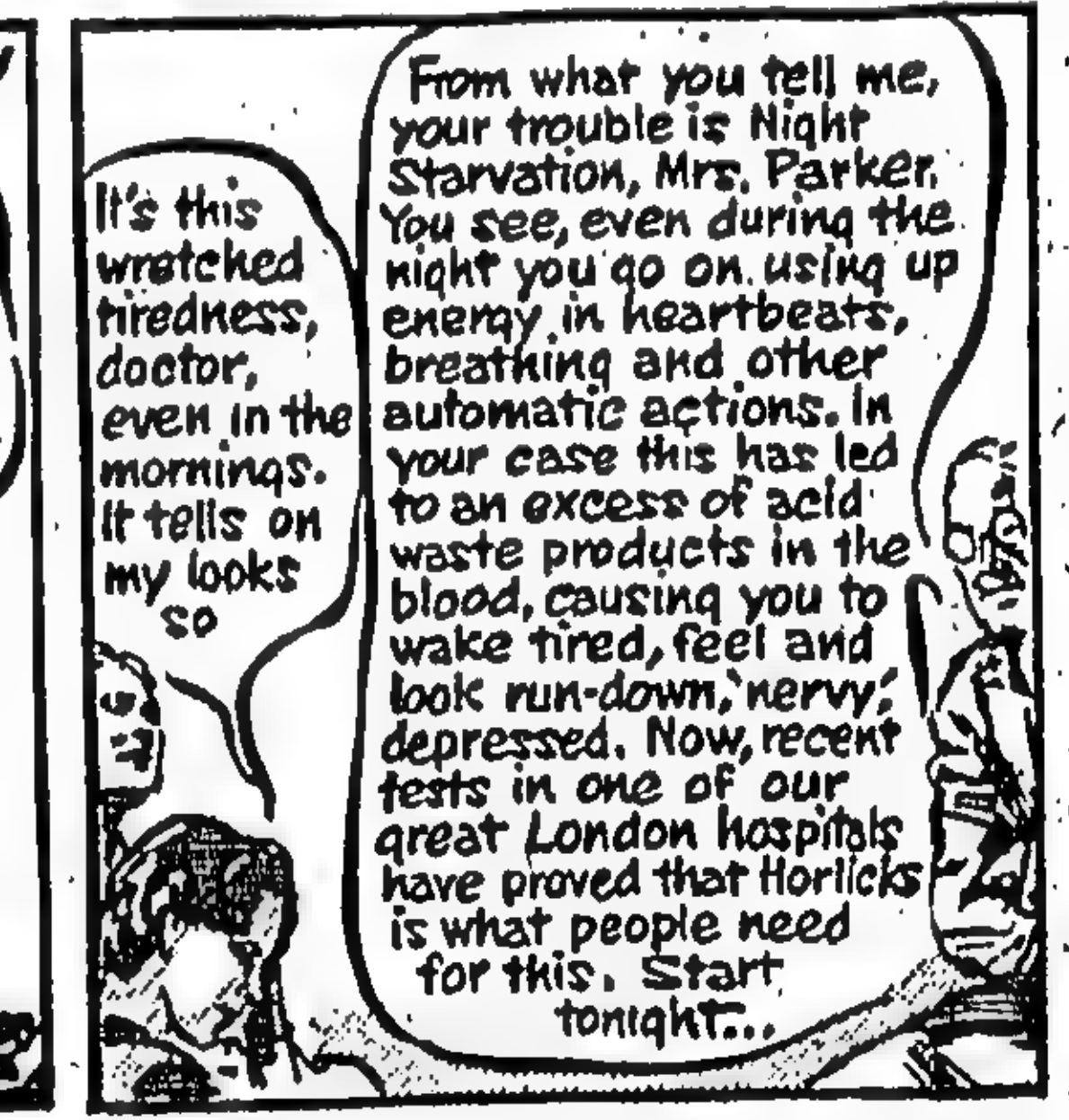
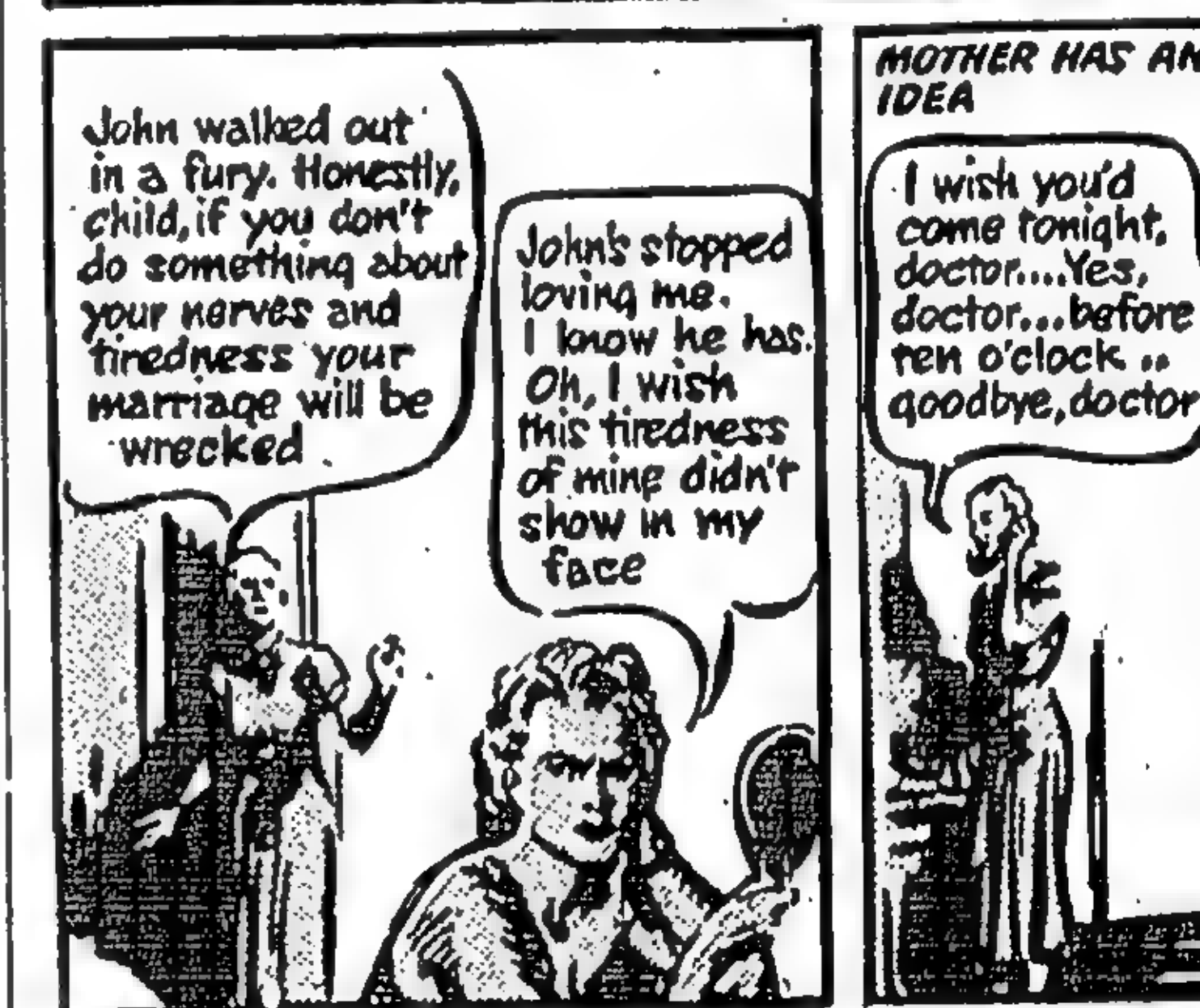
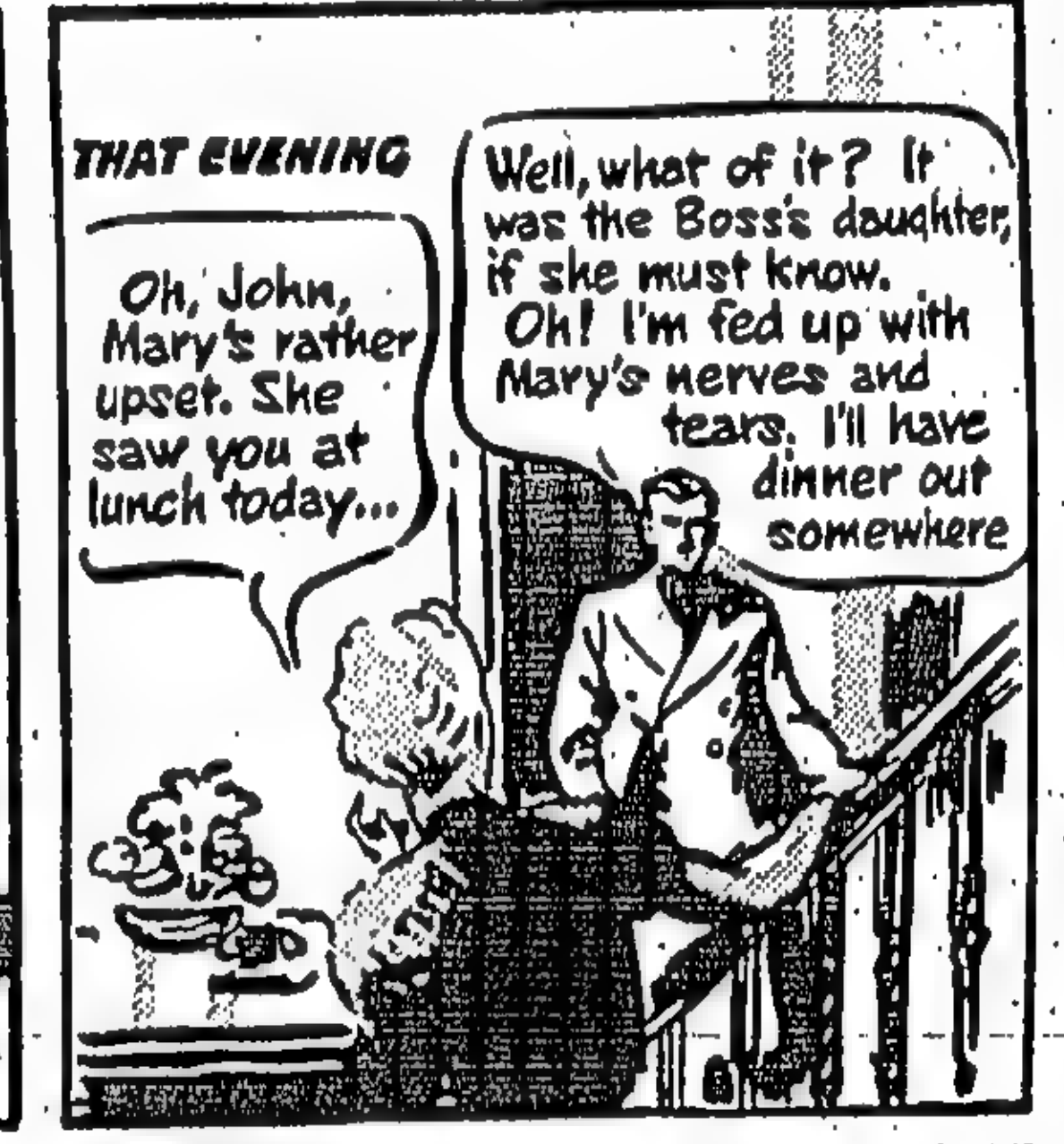
Letter Changing: Mite, male, hate, hare, here, herd, heed, seed, seem, stem, item.

Fun With Synonyms: Effective—fun with synonyms; Effective—impressive; unusual—peculiar; opposite—converse; notable—striking; oral—spoken; decorative—ornamental; partial—biased; enduring—patient; peaceful—amicable; personal—individual.

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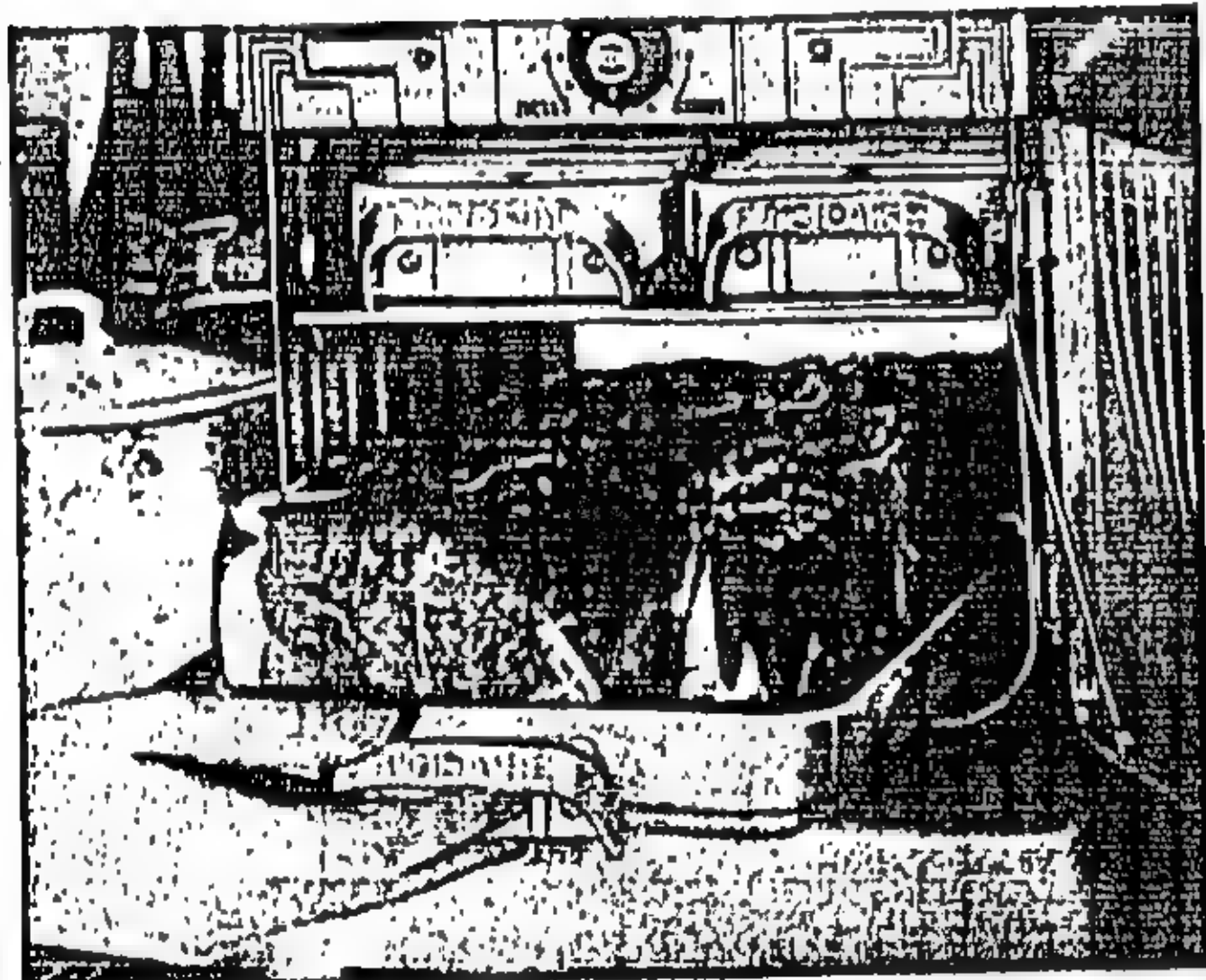
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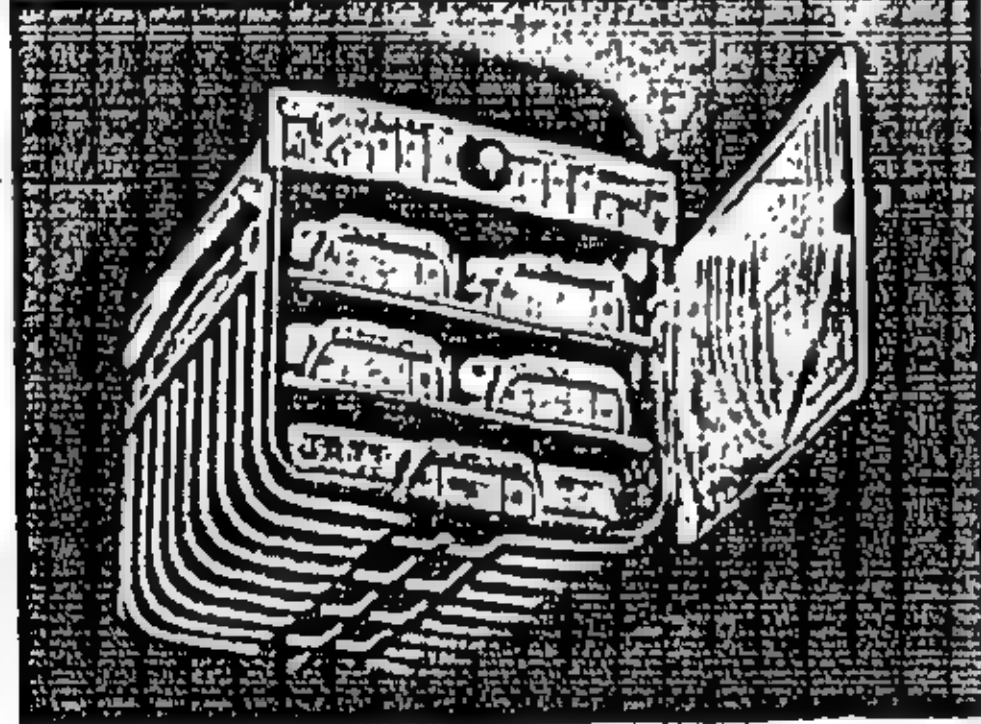
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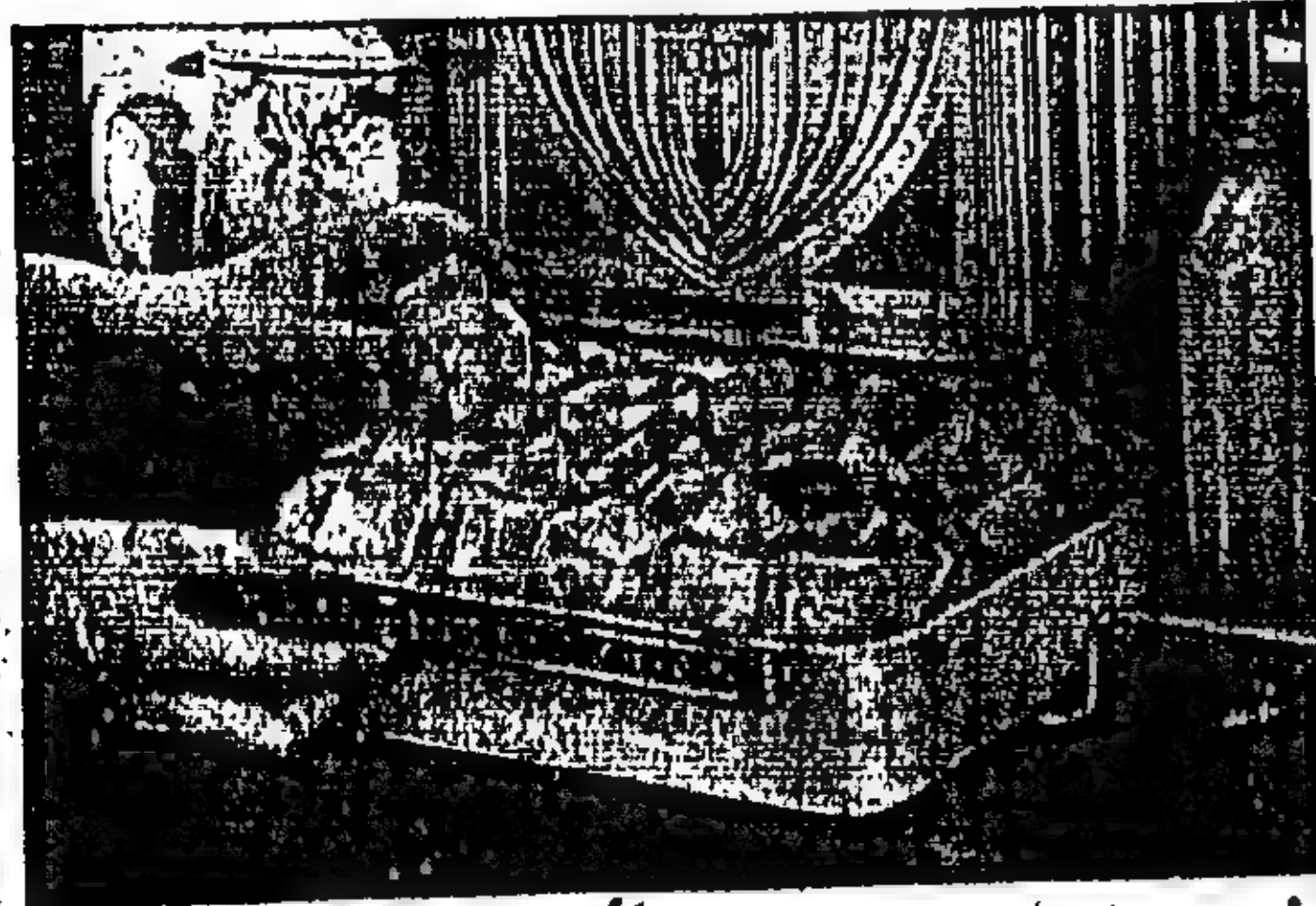
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QUESTIONS ON PAGE TWO

1. Jan Stever, Dan'l Whiddon, Harry Hawke.
2. (a) Greek, (b) Persian, (c) English, (d) Greek, (e) Italian, (f) Persian.
3. Sir Edward Grey.
4. Arthur.
5. (a) Germany, (b) Russia, (c) 12, (d) 10.
6. Julius Caesar.
7. (c) A curmudgeon is a testy, ill-tempered fellow.
8. Beer subjected to fermentation at a low temperature.
9. (a) California, (b) Massachusetts, (c) Florida, (d) Pennsylvania, (e) Illinois, (f) Virginia.
10. Mr. Jingle ("Pickwick Papers") and Bill Sikes ("Oliver Twist").
11. Yarmouth.
12. Charles I. at his execution.
13. (a) Elected for the life of a Parliament, (b) Elected for life.
14. South Down, Suffolk.
15. (a) Washington, (b) Munich, (c) The Hague, (d) London, (e) Cambridge, (f) Lincoln.
16. London and North-Eastern; Great Western.
17. Forest of Dean.
18. Olympia (Greece).
19. (a) Alighieri, (b) Arouet, (c) Dickens, (d) Churchill, (e) Bronstein, (f) Ulanoff.



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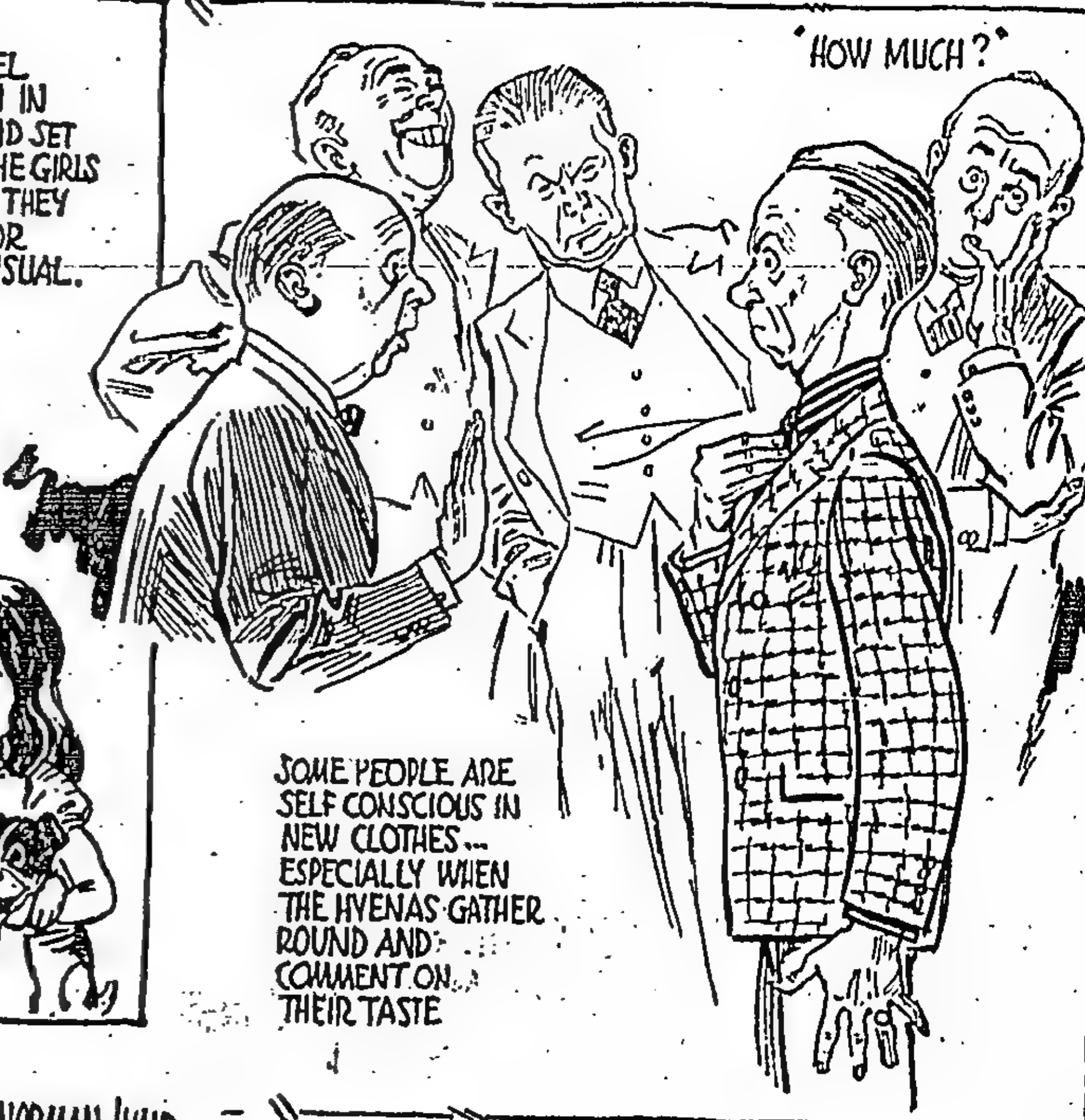
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SOME MEN FEEL
YOUNG AGAIN IN
A NEW SUIT AND SET
OUT TO GIVE THE GIRLS
A TREAT... BUT THEY
COME HOME FOR
DINNER AS USUAL.



"HOW MUCH?"

SOME PEOPLE ARE
SELF CONSCIOUS IN
NEW CLOTHES...
ESPECIALLY WHEN
THE YVENAS GATHER
ROUND AND
COMMENT ON
THEIR TASTE



"A LITTLE LESS
OF THAT
OLD TOP STUFF"
—IT'S MISTER
LEARNY TO YOU."

SOME ASSUME A
NEW DIGNITY
AND TRY TO
LIVE UP TO THE
CLOTHES.



NEW CLOTHES CRAMP A BOY'S
STYLE, BUT NOT FOR LONG—THERE'S
ALWAYS SOMETHING TO TAKE THE
NEW LOOK OFF THEM.



"NO, THESE
BRITCHES AIN'T
WHAT YOU'D CALL
NEW, BUT
THEY'RE NEW
TO ME!" SAYS
THE HANDYMAN



IF THE CLOTHES
DON'T FIT YOU
HAVE A FIT—
AND TAKING A
DEEP BREATH
YOU CURSE
ALL TAILORS

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OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

TERRIBLE HAVOC BY RAIDERS

Chungking Being Evacuated

Shanghai, May 5. Admitting the possibility that bombs might have been dropped on Chungking during Thursday's Japanese air raid on Chungking, a spokesman of the Japanese Navy today invoked the right of self-defence.

The spokesman pointed out that Chinese batteries consisting of anti-aircraft guns and large-calibre machine-guns located near the British, French and German Consulates opened an intense fire against Japanese planes, forcing one portion of the raiders to change their objective and swoop down upon the anti-aircraft batteries.

He further indicated that it was a generally accepted fact that during the night, land and naval bombardment, certain scattering of shots were unavoidable.

"If consulates were hit, this is 'reckonable but inescapable,' the spokesman said. He revealed that instructions were given Japanese fliers to avoid unnecessary damage to third-party property, adding that it would be impossible to ask Japanese fliers operating at the risk of their lives to remain impassive when attacked because of the attack coming from areas where third-party property abounded.

Concluding, the spokesman denied that Japanese bombers were using incendiary bombs.—Domet.

Third Day's Attack

Shanghai, May 5. For the third consecutive day, Japanese naval aircraft attacked Chungking, the war-time capital.

Various military and political organs in the capital which had been greatly damaged during the attacks in the past two days, were again bombed by the Japanese raiders today.

No official communique regarding today's raid on Chungking was available this afternoon. Local Chinese newspapers also failed to carry reports of the attack, presumably the communication with the Szechwen city having been interrupted as the result of Thursday's Japanese bombardment.—Domet.

City Being Evacuated

Chungking, May 5. As the fires caused by yesterday's raids consumed the blocks of closely packed and flimsily built structures, 200,000 residents of Chungking evacuated during the night, leaving behind them ruin and desolation.

The city, teeming with life a few days ago, now presents a tragic, dismal and deserted picture. The water, electricity and telephone services are disorganised. The only newspapers appearing this morning were two small extra editions.

Mr. Ho Shu-yuan, manager of the head office of the Central News Agency, was seriously injured when the offices were demolished last night. Mr. Yau-chin, manager of the business department, was also seriously injured and is not expected to recover. Mr. Hsiao Tung-tze, director, and Mr. Chen Po-sen, chief editor, who was formerly the Agency's Tokyo correspondent, were both in the building when it was demolished, but they extricated themselves unhurt from the debris, covered with plaster and dust.

General and Madame Chiang Kai-shek inspected the devastated areas last night and this morning. After last night's tour the Generalissimo gave orders to commandeer all motor cars and trucks, both public and private, for transporting refugees to the countryside. All cars were concentrated at a designated point at 11 a.m. today. Madame Chiang Kai-shek supervised the evacuation of war orphans. The evacuation of women and children continued today and will go on until the process is completed. Relief workers were busy today distributing food and water and arranging shelter for the refugees along the route. General Chiang last night instructed all newspapers in Chungking to cease publication, concentrating their resources on publishing a joint single newspaper.

Masses of Evacuees

A tour of the areas ravaged by bombing was made by Reuter last night. Many streets were almost impassable, so crowded were they with refugees, stretcher bearers, fire fighters and civilian air raid volunteers.

The German Embassy had a lucky escape at destruction as it was caught between two parallel lanes of fire where bombs had been laid. The Embassy was not touched, but it was impossible to pass through.

The story of how more than 100 women and children were burnt to death within sight was told by officials of the German Embassy. The steadily advancing flames had driven these women and children to the base of the 30-foot high city wall, which formed the outer wall of the German Embassy.

The women and children screamed with terror as the flames approached nearer the city wall, which they could not scale. They were enveloped in a raging inferno, all dying. The fire on the Shuangluang, main street of Chungking, which was started last night, was still raging late this afternoon, threatening the offices of the Central Daily News, the official mouthpiece of the Government.

Firemen were greatly handicapped in fighting the fires, owing to inter-

COL. TO BECK'S FIRM REPLY TO HITLER'S DEMANDS

STRONG MAN



COLONEL BECK

South Rhodesia Deficit

Bulawayo, May 5. The budget submitted on Thursday to the South Rhodesian Parliament contains an item of £600,000 to be spent on armaments and defence. For the first time in the colony's history, the budget shows a deficit.—Trans-Ocean.

Currency Problem

BRITISH ACTION IN TIENTSIN

Tientsin, May 5. While the Chinese authorities in North China are seeking means to remedy the situation arising from the depreciation of the Federal Reserve Bank notes, the authorities in the British Concession took action today to check the fall in value of its own revenue by the slump of the Japanese fostered currency.

They decided to mark all debit notes from today "subject to 30 per cent. surcharge." Similar action has been taken by the telephone administration.

The British authorities describe their action as a "temporary measure subject to periodic revision."

The Chinese authorities are very concerned over the slump of the Federal Reserve Bank notes. They are holding informal talks with Chinese and foreign bankers with a view to devising means to curb speculation in Federal Reserve Bank notes, which is regarded as one of the main reasons for the slump.

Among the measures suggested are extension of the list of goods subject to export control, increase of the Federal Reserve Bank exchange fund, so as to make it available for a wider circulation, manipulation of the Federal Reserve Bank notes in the exchange market, and free notes to Shanghai through the Hsin Hsin Bank at par.—Reuter.

Another Protest By Japanese

Shanghai, May 5. Mr. Yoshikuni Mura, the Japanese Consul-General, called on M. M. Baudez, the French Consul-General, and Mr. C. S. Franklin, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, this afternoon and demanded complete prohibition of the flying of Chinese Nationalist flags which were prominently displayed today on the occasion of the anniversary of Sun Yat-sen's assumption of the post of provisional president of the Chinese Republic at Canton in 1912.

Consul-General Mura informed Mr. Franklin and Mr. Baudez that the permission granted by the Settlement and Concession for flying of the Nationalist flags on eight Chinese national holidays was unacceptable. The Japanese Consul pointed out that the permission to fly the Chinese Nationalist flag would be tantamount to recognition by the Settlement and Concession of the authority of the Chungking regime.—Domet.

ruption of the water supply, and also due to the fact that the fires spread so rapidly and extensively in widely scattered areas.

It is reported that the British diplomatic mission and the British Consulate are considering moving their offices to the south bank of the Yangtze River, opposite Chungking, owing to the damaged state of the present Consulate buildings, but no official confirmation is yet available.—Reuter.

The eagerly awaited speech to the Polish Parliament by Colonel Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, was delivered yesterday, giving a clear reply to the German proposals and actions as indicated in Herr Hitler's speech last week.

The speech indicated that Poland intends to stand by her rights, but at the same time is prepared to enter into negotiations with Germany provided the latter is prepared to enter discussions with the object of finding a peaceful solution.

The statement was short, and indicated a clear-sighted and moderate attitude towards the questions of Danzig and the Polish Corridor.

The suggestion in France that she cannot be expected to support Poland in her "exaggerated claims" with regard to Danzig and the Corridor are flatly denied in Paris. The first reactions from England and Paris indicate that the speech by Beck is considered fair and moderate. Herr Hitler is reported to be discussing the speech with his ministers, while indications are that Italy may try to fill the role of mediator.

Warsaw, May 5. Colonel Beck replied to Herr Hitler in the Chamber this morning in a speech the whole world was waiting to hear.

He declared that the results of weakening collective international institutions had in recent months reached the borders of Poland. "Very serious events have taken place," he said. "I refer in the first place to Poland's agreement with Britain. Neither Britain nor Poland has any aggressive intentions, but they are determined to defend certain basic principles of international life."

The Minister continued that Herr Hitler had used the agreement to denounce the Polish-German non-aggression pact. "The Reich is not consulting either Britain or Poland. Although he had invited the Reich Ambassador to visit him (Colonel Beck) when he returned from London, the Ambassador did not avail himself of this offer until today. If the Reich interprets the Polish-German pact as one meant to isolate Poland, Poland would always reject this interpretation."

"As regards Danzig, the population is predominantly German, but its livelihood and prosperity depend on Poland," he said. "We stand firm on the ground of our rights of overseas trade and maritime policy in Danzig."

Question of Corridor. "As to the corridor, we suggested an extension of the present facilities to road transport, but we have no grounds for restricting our sovereignty over our own territory."

"The proposal mentioned by Herr Hitler in his speech for a 25-year non-aggression pact was not put forward in any definite form beforehand."

"Hitler's proposal to recognise as a concession the existing Polish-German frontier would have been recognition of Poland's indisputable property. Two conditions are necessary for peace to have any real meaning. Firstly, peaceful methods of action. If the Reich is guided by these principles, all conversations respecting the matter I have outlined are possible. If such conversations materialise, Poland would not refuse her very good will. We intend, do not know the conception of peace at any price. One thing without price is honour."

Colonel Beck said that he would like to encourage public opinion to know that he found in London a party of British statesmen with not only a profound knowledge of general political problems in Europe but also such an attitude towards Poland as permitted him to discuss all vital problems with frankness and confidence and without any reservation or doubt.

The Polish reply to the German memorandum, he announced, will be handed to Germany today.

Status of Danzig. In his references to Danzig, Colonel Beck explained that the Free City was not invented by the Versailles Treaty. German merchants in Danzig assured the development and prosperity of that town, thanks to Polish overseas trade. Over and above this the development was the very reason for the city, formerly due to the then decisive fact that it is situated at the mouth of Poland's only great river, and now to its position as the main waterway and railway line connecting Poland with the Baltic. This is a truth which no new formula can change.

Colonel Beck stressed that Poland purposely exerted no influence on free national, ideological and cultural development of the German majority in the Free City. "We ask whether the questions present to-day were the freedom of the German population in Danzig—which was not menaced—or that of prestige, or that of barring Poland from the Baltic, but Poland will not let herself be barred," he declared.—Reuter.

"One Sided Demands" May 5. Poland has formally denounced Hitler's one-sided demands for the return of Danzig to the Reich and a German highway across the Polish corridor, but offered to negotiate for an honourable settlement.

Colonel Beck's brief and dramatic address was generally conciliatory. He made it clear that Poland, with more than 1,000,000 under arms, was determined not to bow to force or threat of force. In effect, he left the way open for a peaceful solution of the dispute, but put the next move up to Hitler.

The diplomatic boxes in the Chamber were filled with the Ambassadors of the United States, Britain, France, Turkey, Rumania, and the Ministers of Iran, Ethiopia, Portugal, Greece, Yugoslavia and others, but the German and Italian diplomats were absent.

The Parliament building began to fill an hour before the scheduled time for the speech, in what was the Polish Sejm's greatest day in its 21 years of existence. The actual Parliament Chamber had been enlarged to accommodate more than double the usual number of spectators, while the diplomatic boxes had also been enlarged.

There was no particular indication of excitement in Warsaw's streets, although coffee houses and several shops installed loudspeakers where they announced Colonel Beck's speech could be heard.—United Press.

Regard Objectively

Warsaw, May 5. The Speaker, M. Makowski, opened the Sejm and very briefly introduced Colonel Beck, who was given a long ovation.

Colonel Beck said, "If conversations materialise the Polish Government, according to its custom, will regard the problem objectively, with a view to the experiences of recent times, but without refusing its best will."

Colonel Beck said that Poland would stand firmly on her rights and interests in her overseas trade and maritime policy.

He said that the German Government had decided to denounce the German-Polish Pact on the ground of the Polish-British Agreement, without consulting either the Polish or British Governments.—United Press.

For Special Applause

Warsaw, May 5. Colonel Beck's statement was repeatedly interrupted by loud applause, and particularly the passages directed against Germany and others which contained compliments for Britain were received with prolonged cheers by the House.

The Polish-German pact, said Colonel Beck, has represented an attempt to improve the historic relations between the two great nations. In the most critical moments of recent times the Polish Government had consistently respected the fundamental principle underlying the pact and, seen from this viewpoint, the denunciation of the pact was an event of no small importance. If, however, the policy and action of the other partner has deviated from the principle in question, Poland has no reason to regret the disappearance of the pact.

Colonel Beck continued, "From the moment when tendencies manifested themselves to interpret the pact as restricting the liberty of our policy or to utilise it as justification for demanding from us one-sided concessions incompatible with our vital interests, from that moment the pact lost its true character."—Trans-Ocean.

HITLER IN CONFERENCE OVER BECK'S SPEECH

Berlin, May 5. Hitler will hold a conference at Berchtesgaden today with Herr von Ribbentrop, German Foreign Minister, and leaders of the Nazi Party in Danzig, Herr Greiser and Herr Forster, to discuss Colonel Beck's speech.

German newspapers continue to publish alleged Polish attacks on Germans in Poland.

Herr Goebbels, the new-paper Voelker Beobachter, asks where is Poland going? He said that had it not been for the British guarantee, Poland would not have rejected the German proposals.—Reuter Bulletin.

ITALY MAY AGAIN FIGURE AS MEDIATOR

Rome, May 5. It is understood from a reliable source that Count Ciano had a conference with M. Dugoszowski, on the present Polish-German situation, reportedly with a view to reaching a friendly solution of the Danzig problem, and advised Poland to adopt moderation in dealing with Germany.—United Press.

Press Comment Friendly

Rome, May 5. A brief editorial in the Giornale d'Italia warns Poland not to exaggerate its political tendencies by opposing the German demands, and by taking a political stand which "will render impossible or very slow and uncertain conciliation with the Reich."

The editorial, which is friendly in tone towards Poland, urges the Poles to remember that it was only through Mussolini's "personal intervention" that Poland resolved the old Teschen problem, without firing a single shot, and succeeded in obtaining a common frontier with Hungary.

The editorial adds that Germany "adhered in a friendly manner to the Italian action for a common frontier for Poland. Italy now gives Poland this advice."—United Press.

LONDON REACTION

London, May 5. Colonel Beck's speech is being carefully studied in London but no

Toscanini Declines To Meet King

London, May 4. Maestro Arturo Toscanini, famous conductor, this evening declined the honour of being presented to the King and Queen.

During the intermission of the concert, the King invited the Conductor to the Royal Box, but Toscanini said that his presence in the midst of the concert might upset him.

The King said that he sympathised with the Maestro's feelings.—United Press.

Naval Escort For Their Majesties To Canada

London, May 5. When the King and Queen sail for Canada to-morrow in the Empress of Australia, the liner will be met outside Portsmouth Harbour by Royal Air Force machines which will escort her down the Channel.

A naval escort of 17 vessels will also be in attendance, including the battle cruiser Repulse, the battle-ships Nelson and Rodney, and two cruisers, the Southampton and Glasgow. These two cruisers will accompany the liner across the Atlantic. A farewell dinner to the King and Queen was given last night by the United States Ambassador and Mrs. Kennedy.—British Wireless.

Last Day at Home

London May 5. To-day is the last full day their Majesties are spending at home before leaving to-morrow for their tour of Canada. It was a busy day for them. In the morning, the King held a Privy Council, and later Mr. Neville Chamberlain held a farewell audience with His Majesty.

The afternoon and evening are being kept free from all official engagements so that the King and Queen may have time to see members of the family and bid them farewell.—Reuter Bulletin.

HAMMERING AT NIGHT

European Brings Charge Against Neighbour

On the complaint of Mr. W. C. Curtis, of 13, Wong Chuk Street, Leung Yuen-jau, of 11, Wong Chuk Street, was summoned before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for having permitted noise to be made on his premises on the night of April 20.

Mr. Curtis said that just before midnight he was awakened by the sound of hammering in the defendant's house. The premises were fully lighted and men were evidently just beginning work. The noise stopped and he went back to sleep, only to be re-awakened later by a resumption of the hammering.

Leung was fined \$10.

official announcement is yet available, though it is known that the impression left is most favourable. It is felt in diplomatic quarters that the speech is distinguished by moderation and firmness. These quarters are waiting to see what the German reaction will be. The fact that two Danzig leaders, including Herr Greiser, the man who "cooked a snook," at the League Council, is at present at Berchtesgaden rather suggests that Germany's response will not be delayed. Their presence is held in some quarters to have a very special significance, if the analogy of Czecho-Slovakia is recalled.

Colonel Beck's remarks on the unilateral denunciation of the Polish-German non-aggression pact will doubtless give food for thought to those states to whom Germany is now offering similar agreement. It is pointed out in diplomatic circles.—Reuter.

FRENCH STAND Paris, May 5. M. Daladier's declaration regarding France's determination to remain loyal to her pledge to Poland is featured in this morning's papers, although the comments differ in tone.

Political circles believed the Premier to have been inspired by an article by the Socialist Republican Union Deputy, M. Marec, which appeared yesterday in L'Oeuvre, the Deputy maintaining that Frenchmen would not fight for the exaggerated Polish claims to Danzig and East Prussia.

According to the L'Epoque this morning, the Polish Ambassador, M. Laskowski, made representations to the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, yesterday regarding the article and was assured that it did not reflect the attitude of the French Government which would remain loyal to its obligations.

M. Bonnet is also said to have emphasised to the Polish Ambassador that France would automatically move to support Poland as soon as she felt that her vital interests are threatened, a definition of her vital interests as regards Danzig being left up to Poland.

The Polish Ambassador was satisfied, according to the paper, with this declaration.—Trans-Ocean.

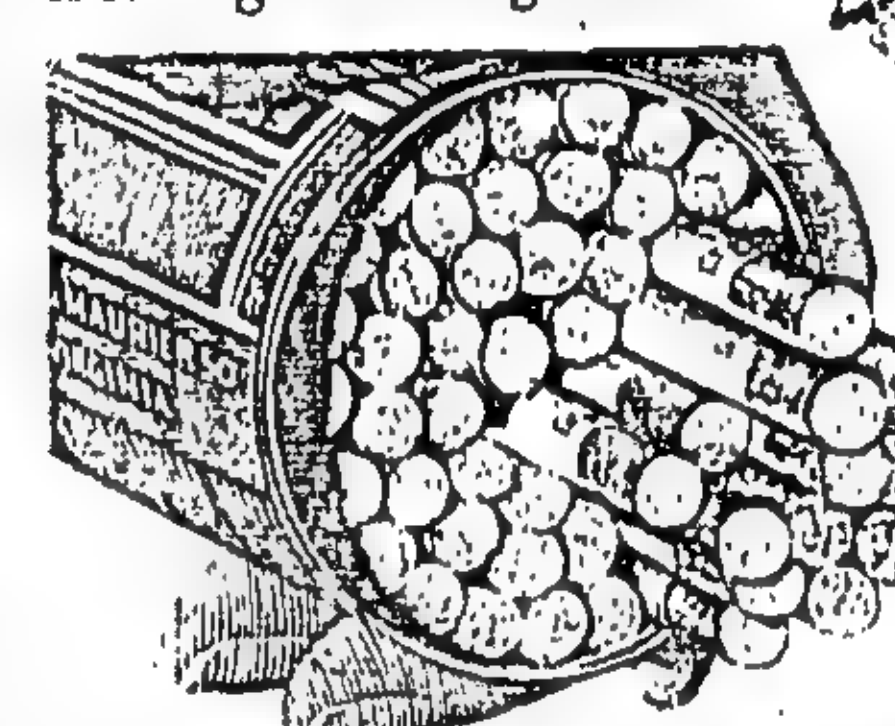
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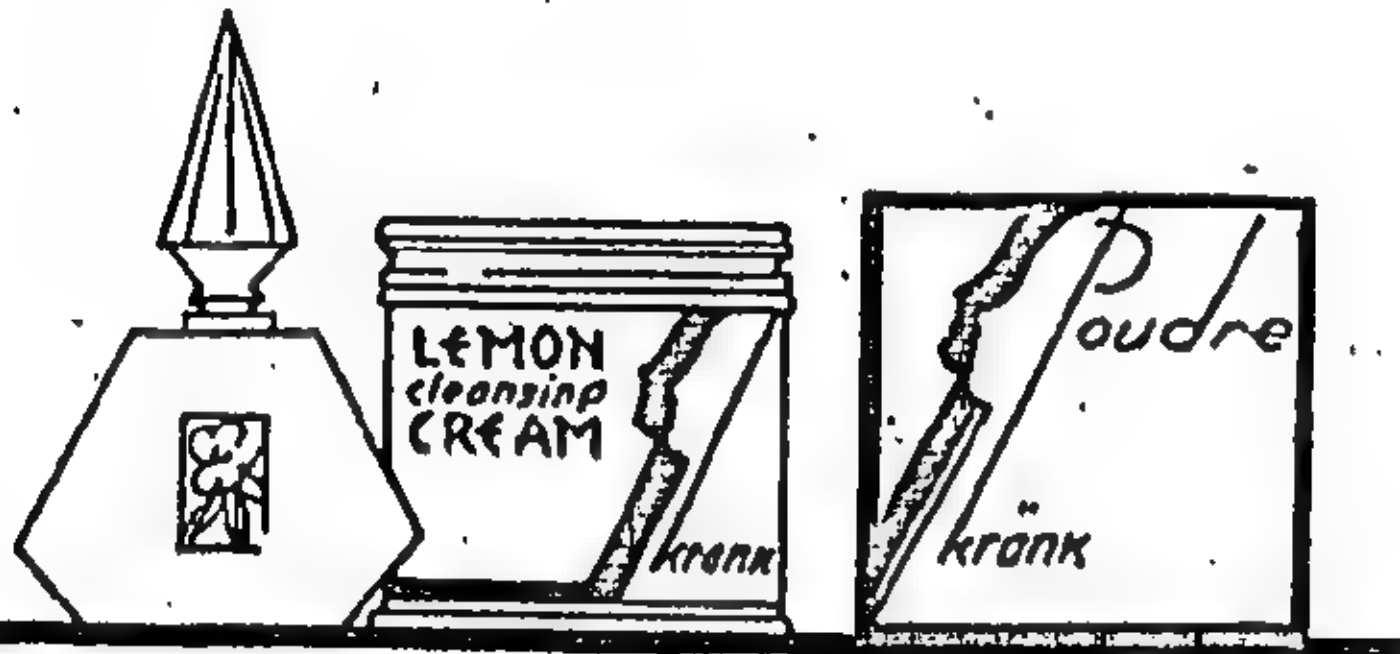
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PLANNING A WEDDING



HEADRESS is made of a little circle of orange blossom sewn on to a round cap of either tulle or the lace of the dress. The tulle veil springs out from under the orange blossom.

WEDDING DRESS For a spring or summer bride lace is the ideal material—decorative, becoming—and it will make a lovely evening frock afterwards. Leave the lace to make its own effect, and have the dress cut as simply as possible. The one drawn here is made with a small turnover collar on a V-neck, a rather deep-waisted bodice—close-fitting and quite plain. The skirt is pleated on to the bodice (with a point in the centre) and held out to a full graceful line by an underskirt of stiff white taffeta. Sleeves are long and tight, set well in on the shoulders. Deep crimson roses would make a beautiful bouquet for this dress.

WHETHER personal friends or not, the clergyman and wife are always invited to the reception.

When every one has arrived, champagne is opened and the bride cuts the cake.

The best man proposes their health, the bridegroom replies.

—and about presents

BRIDES should be businesslike about their wedding presents.

Make a list of what you need, from small kitchen things to motor-cars, and give copies to both sets of parents, to the bridesmaids, and to the best man. These are the people of whom advice is asked. Keep it up to date by ticking off items as they are given.

Don't put on the list anything that you have very strong views about.

Make another list of presents received, and thank immediately. Don't write three days later saying, "I'd have written before only I've had such hundreds of people to thank."

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The present list must not be thrown away when all is over. You need it for remembering what things to have tactfully placed when their donors come to see you.

GETTING married without bride to change into "going away" fuss needs planning. Here are some details that puzzle a lot of people; they should be settled well ahead.

Weddings must be between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. Smart weddings are generally about 2.30.

The bride's parents pay for: Flowers in the church; owning at church and house; organist and choir; cars for bride and bridesmaids to church and for bridesmaids from church; and everything connected with the reception.

The bridegroom pays for: Marriage licence; church fees—usually clergyman 1 gu., clerk 5s.; bride's and bridesmaids' bouquets; car for himself and bride from church to reception; presents for bridesmaids and pages—and the ring.

THE best man ought to be a bachelor. His main duty is to accompany the bridegroom to church. He has to see the bridegroom has the ring, pay the church fees on his behalf, do any tipping, and look after the railway tickets and passports. The bridesmaids pay for their own down the aisle on husband's left dresses. Chief bridesmaid helps arm. Her veil is flung back.

The bride hands her bouquet and gloves to chief bridesmaid when the ceremony starts.

When bride and groom move up to the altar, the bridesmaids stay where they are. When they go into vestry, bridesmaids, relations, and intimate friends follow. After signing the register, the bride walks down the aisle on husband's left.

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- 1—Hibernian measure
- 2—Derivative sound
- 3—Close one eye
- 4—Cliff's name
- 5—Isle in
- 6—Dan
- 7—Mad's name
- 8—Dogs
- 9—Isle or bay (French)
- 10—Otherwise
- 11—Compass point
- 12—Christian Egyptian
- 13—Verbs war.
- 14—That man
- 15—Understand
- 16—Want
- 17—Franchise
- 18—Taurus
- 19—Christiana
- 20—Pithily
- 21—Pitched steel
- 22—Spelling
- 23—Cruciate (Island)
- 24—More covetous
- 25—Victory
- 26—Agent
- 27—British Navy
- 28—Island
- 29—Royal license
- 30—Labor
- 31—Compass point
- 32—Dancing in sun
- 33—Love story
- 34—Cliff's name
- 35—Turnover
- 36—Western Indians
- 37—Exclamation
- 38—Is situated
- 39—Mystic word
- 40—By word of mouth
- 41—Lead

DOWN

- 1—Short poems
- 2—Great
- 3—Aardvark
- 4—Pur-bearing animal
- 5—Store
- 6—Stone
- 7—Amusement places
- 8—Rural
- 9—Three-day holiday
- 10—Island
- 11—Island
- 12—Famous Beau
- 13—Over and couching
- 14—That thing
- 15—International tongue
- 16—Pal
- 17—Island
- 18—Last night (Island)
- 19—Cave
- 20—Wasting
- 21—Two (Roman)
- 22—Penny
- 23—Large island
- 24—Mad's name
- 25—Shade tree
- 26—Western state
- 27—Nonsense (Island)
- 28—Wild rabbit (Island)
- 29—Stargazing
- 30—Female relatives
- 31—Island
- 32—Not labor
- 33—Island
- 34—Land measure
- 35—Island
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Britain Mobilising War Reserve Of Pigeons

500,000 WINGED COURIERS

BRITAIN'S carrier pigeons are to be mobilised as a war reserve, and for this purpose the Air Ministry are compiling a national register of pigeon breeders and fanciers.

This register will be the basis on which the National Pigeon Service will be formed. Members will have a special badge.

An announcement will be made by the Ministry when Treasury approval has been given to the scheme, calling on breeders and owners to volunteer their services and those of their birds.

It is estimated that about 500,000 pigeons will be made available—more than sufficient for the Government's needs.

They will be used for emergency communication purposes by the Navy, the Army and the R.A.F.

CRISIS OFFER

During the September crisis, thousands of breeders and fanciers offered assistance to the Government, and the Air Ministry began a national register. A detailed scheme has now been worked out.

Since the war the R.A.F. have

maintained a small pigeon service, with two lofts in Britain for training and breeding and two more abroad. Last summer, during the North-West Frontier campaign in India, a detachment of Waziristan Scouts was trapped by native forces.

A pigeon sent off with an S.O.S. brought R.A.F. aeroplanes to the rescue.

THREE GROUPS

The pigeon-breeders who volunteer for the service will be divided into three groups—those prepared to serve themselves in war, those who will breed birds in wartime, and

Burglar Kissed Her Hand

TWO "polite" burglars were, at the Old Bailey, sent back to penal servitude.

Arthur John Cox, also known as John Cromarty, aged 36, a stevedore, who pleaded guilty to charges of housebreaking and was sentenced to four years, was stated by his counsel to have carried out burglaries with amazing stupidity and effrontery.

"Ladies into whose houses he had broken had commented upon the politeness with which he behaved."

James Horn, aged 37, a machinist, who was charged with Cox and sentenced to three years, was said actually to have kissed the hand of an elderly woman who was in bed.

It was stated that in 1930 Cox was sentenced to ten years' penal servitude for shooting a policeman and attempting to shoot another.

Horn had served terms of penal servitude.

those who will lend pigeons in peacetime as well as in an emergency.

Under the scheme, the breeding of pigeons will be stimulated by the Ministry to keep up the strength. The average life of a pigeon is about six years. Training begins at four months.

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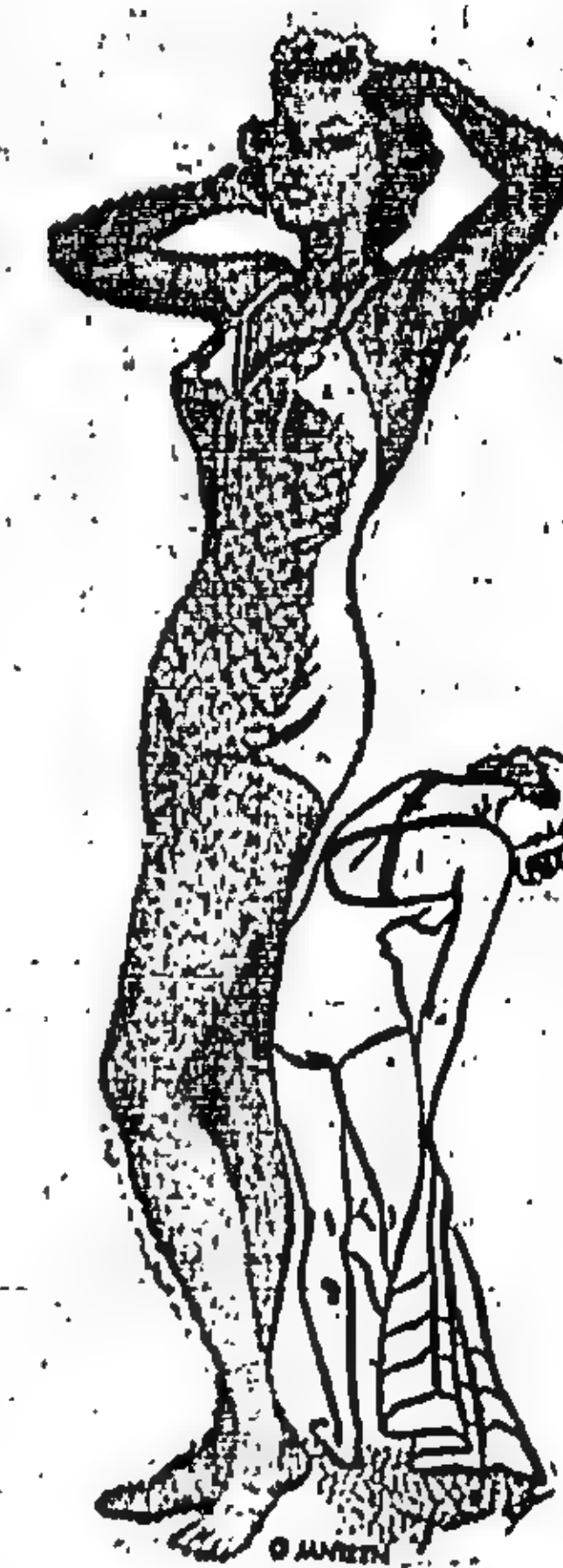
Chancellor Hitler of Germany, arriving in Prague eight hours after his troops took over the former capital of Czechoslovakia, appointed General Johannes Blaskowitz, above, supreme military governor of Bohemia.

£2,300 For Lost Eye

AGREED damages of £2,300 were awarded, in the King's Bench Division, to Miss Joan Haskell, a 17-year-old waitress of Bickerley, Ringwood, Hampshire, for injuries received in a motoring accident.

Miss Haskell was a passenger in a car driven by Mr. John Shutter, of Bury, Hampshire, which collided with a telegraph pole.

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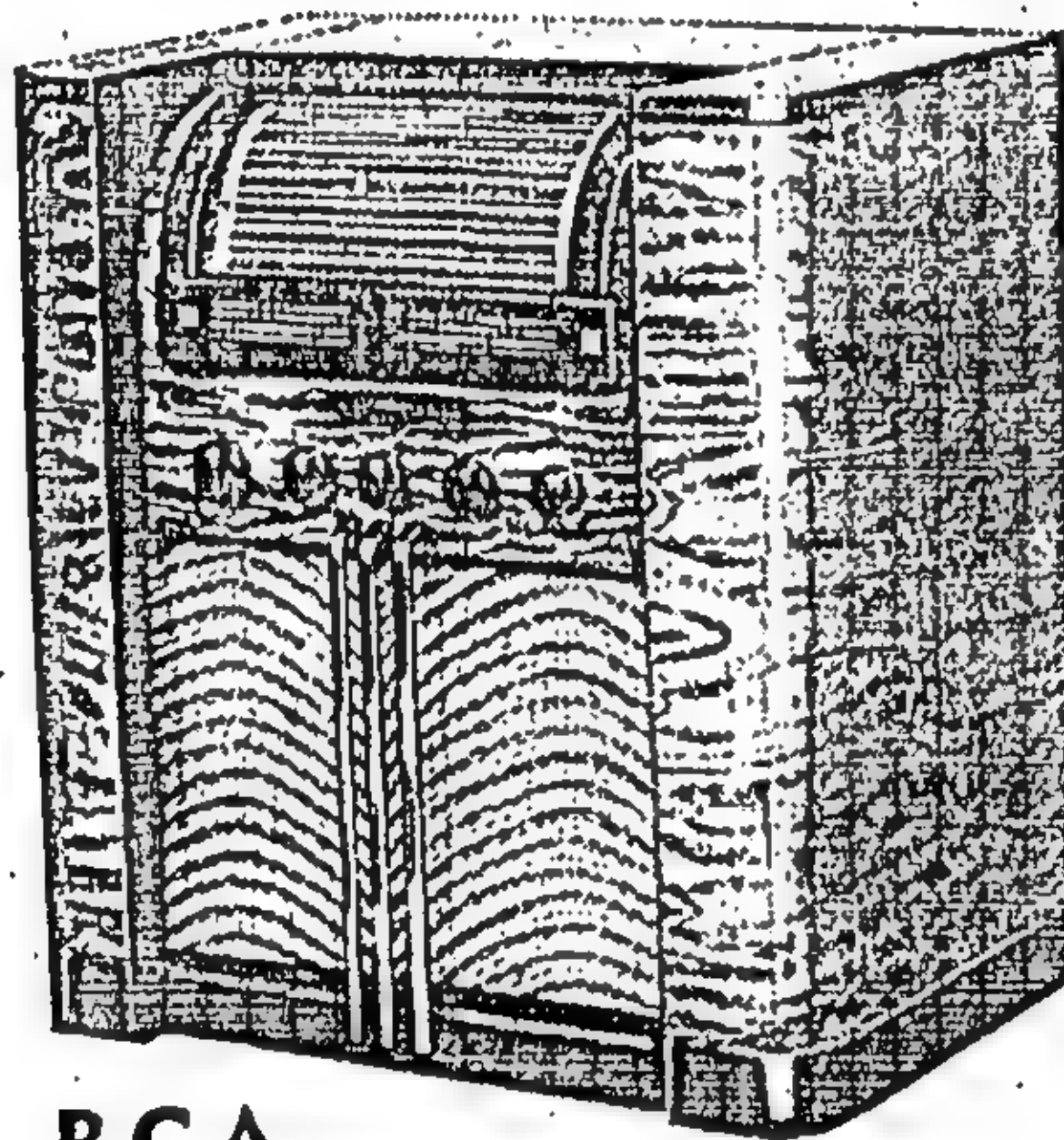
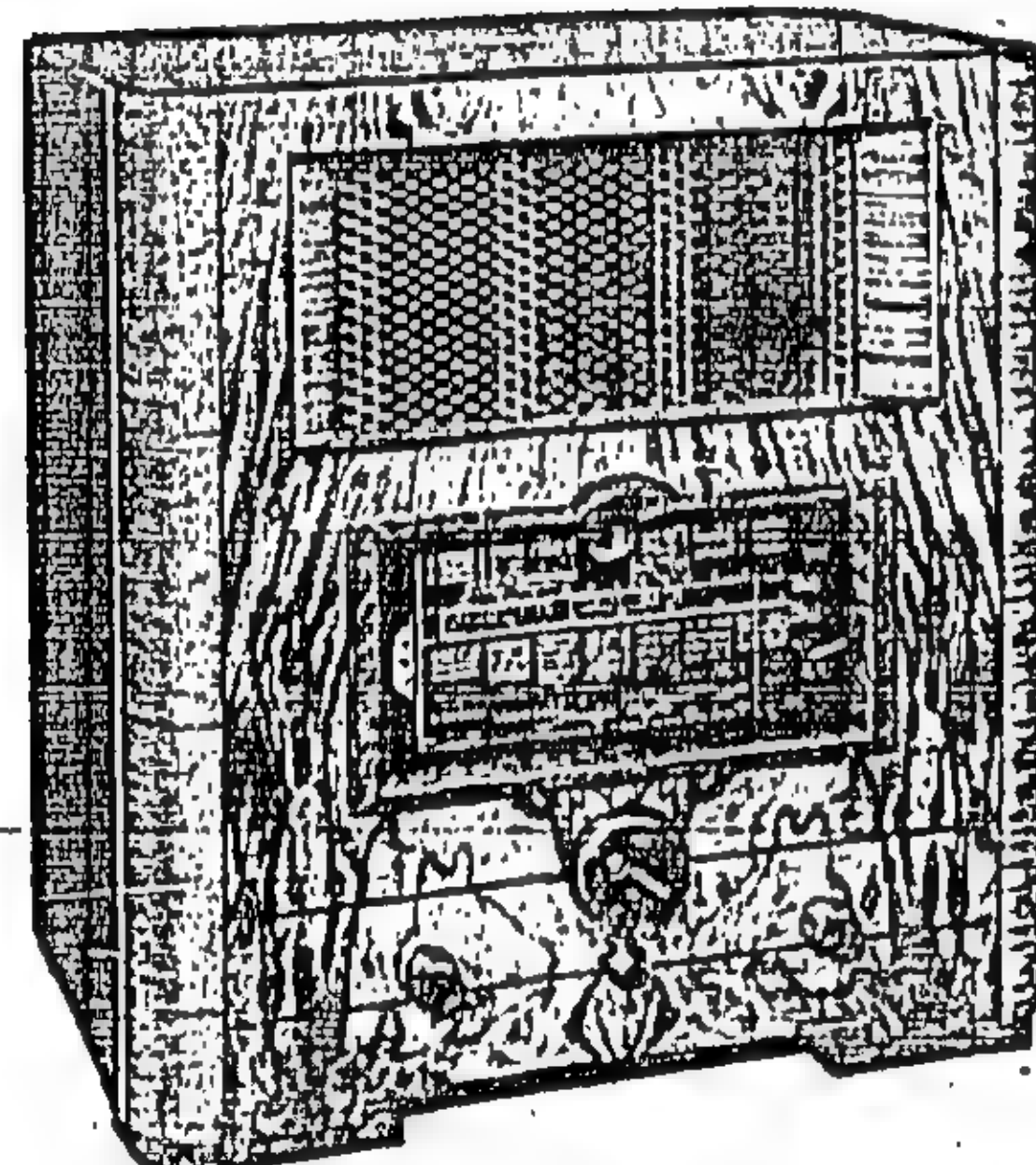
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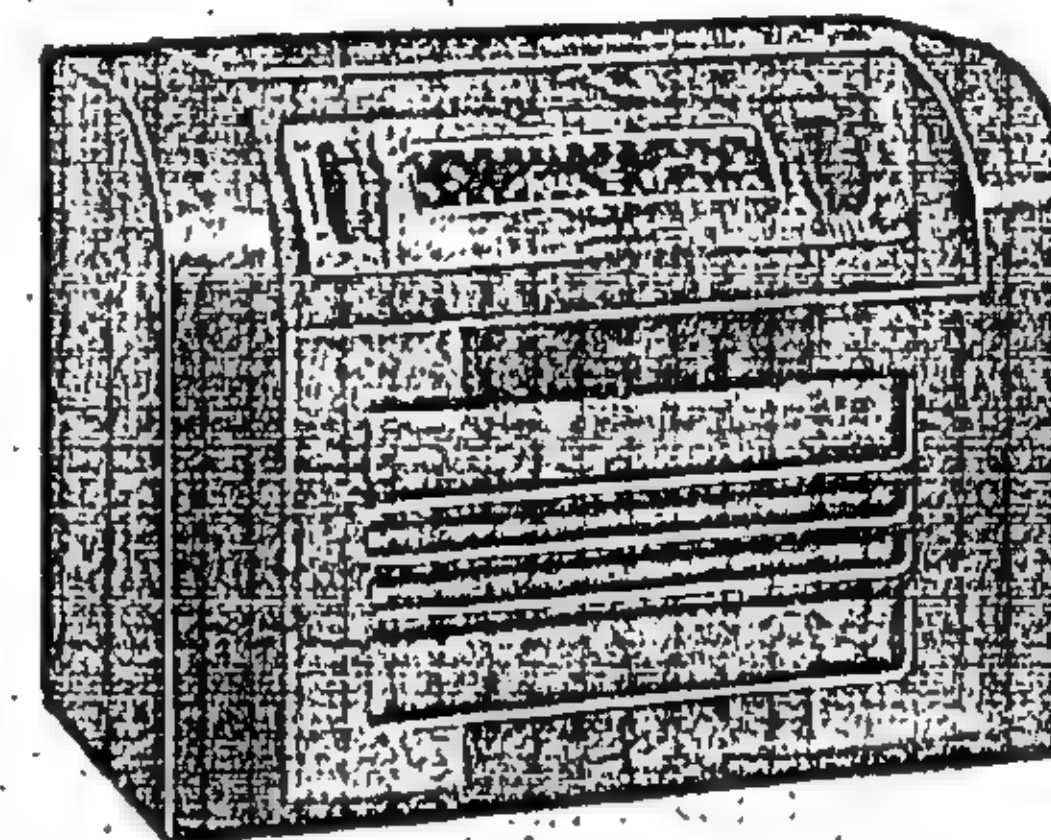
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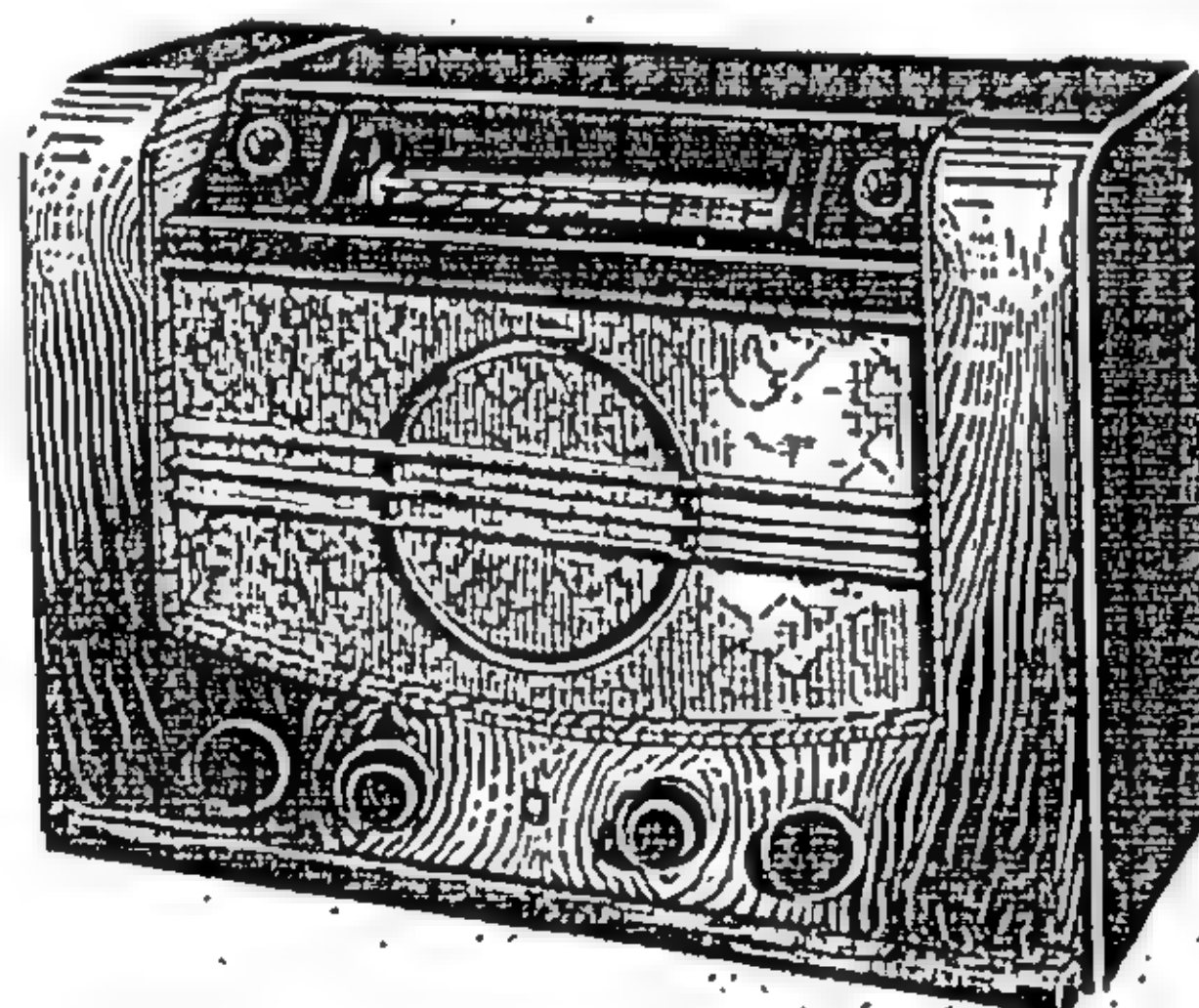
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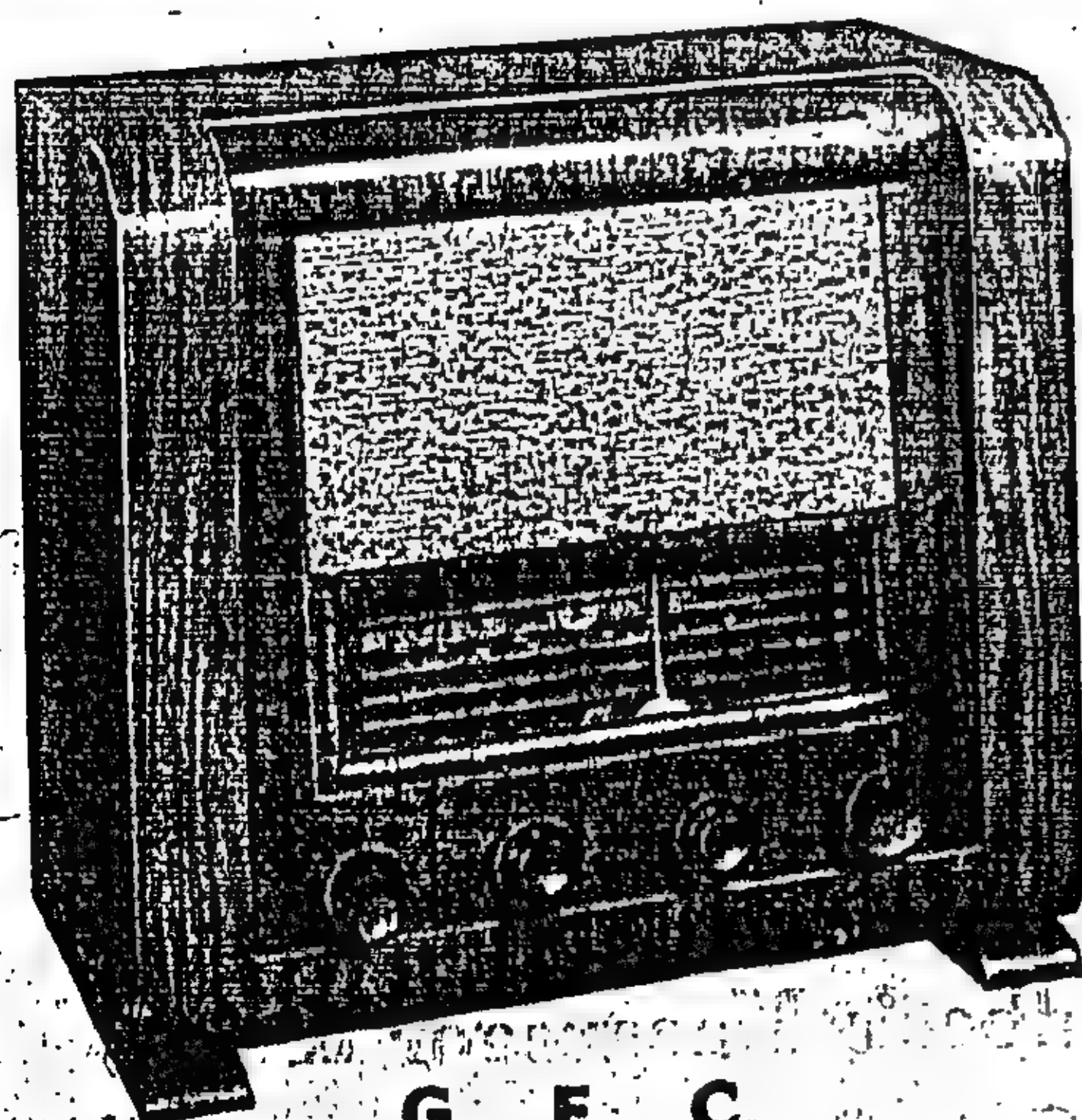


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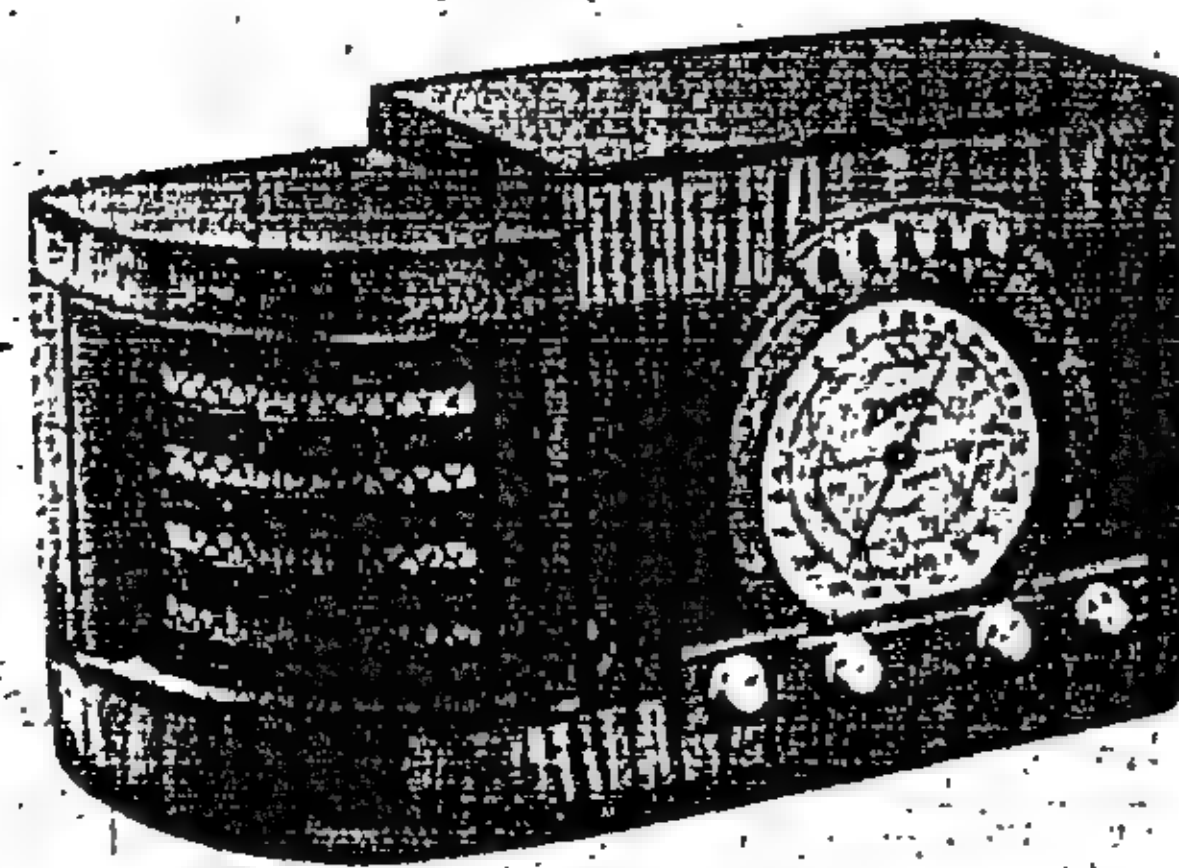
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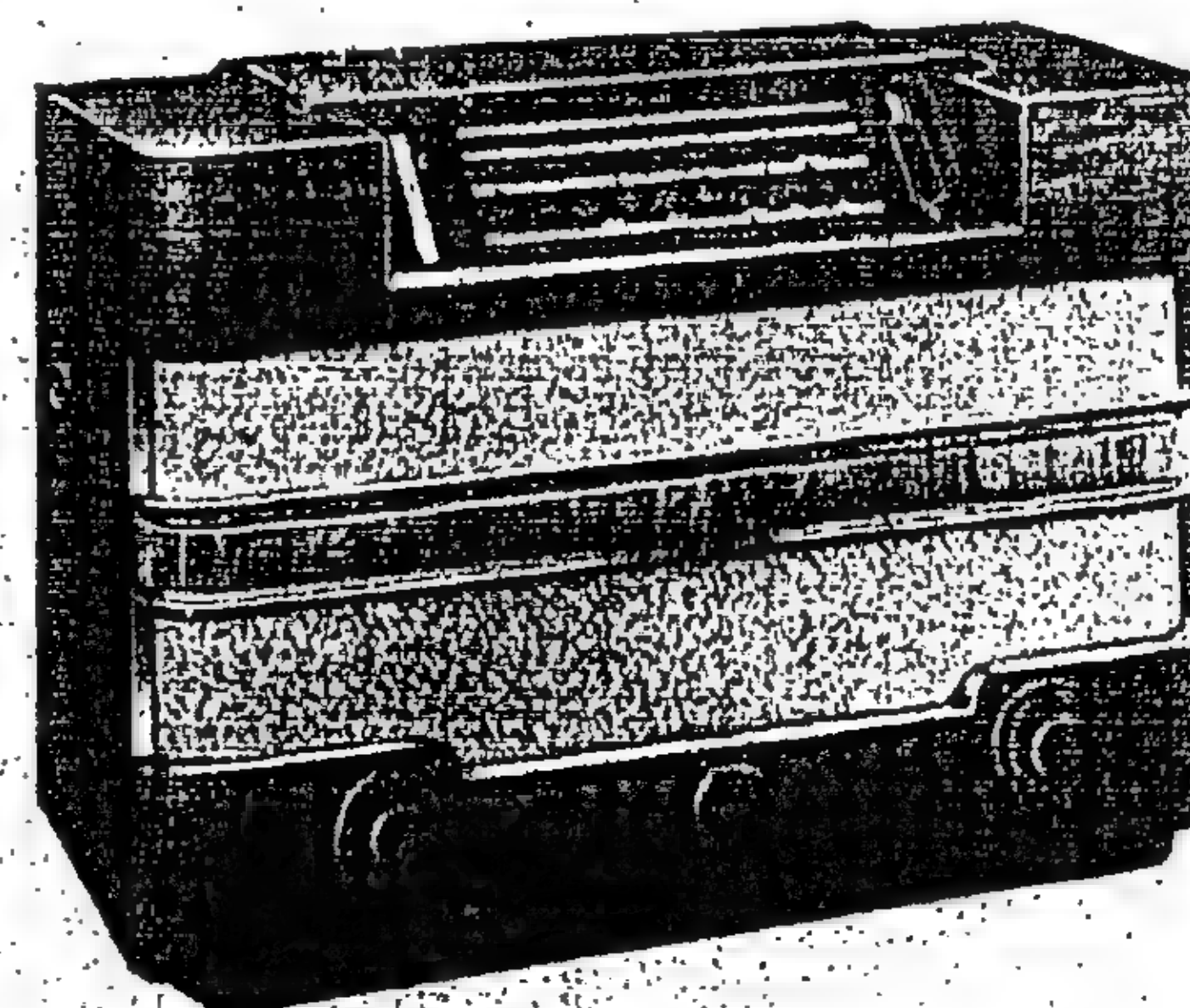
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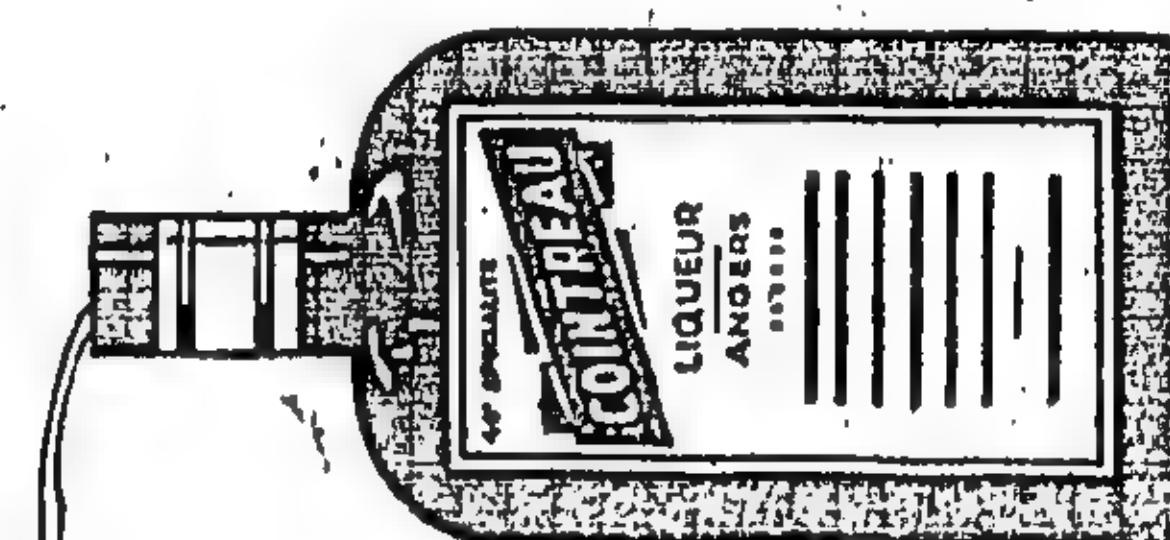
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LOCAL BASEBALL LEAGUE STARTS THIS WEEK-END

Bomb-Shell Dropped By B. B. B. C.

John Henry Lewis Cannot Fight Len Harvey In England

London, May 5. A sensation has been caused here by the British Boxing Board of Control's refusal to sanction the title fight arranged between John Henry Lewis, the negro lightweight champion of the world, and Len Harvey, the British champion.

The British Boxing Board arrived at this decision following a two-hour examination by a specialist of Lewis's left eye, which American reports said was faulty.

Mr. Johnny Rogers, who is temporarily acting for Lewis, told Reuter that the Board's decision is a terrible shock.

In response to a request for details of the decision, the Board only reiterated its refusal to grant permission.

The Board further announced that Lewis was not permitted to box in Great Britain under their auspices.

Reuter.

Baseball

CARDINALS DEFEAT NEW YORK

New York, May 5. The following are the results of matches played in the Major Baseball League to-day:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	7	12	0
New York	5	6	0

(Seeds homered for the Giants twice).

Chicago	3	7	3
Brooklyn	6	7	2

(Lazzeri homered for the Dodgers).

Pittsburgh	10	13	1
Philadelphia	7	9	1

(Klein homered for the Phillies).

Cincinnati	5	10	4
Boston	4	14	1

(Thirteen innings. Simmons homered for the Braves).

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Boston	4	9	1
Chicago	2	8	2

(Rosenenthal homered for the White Sox).

Washington	1	8	2
Cleveland	2	6	2

(Rosenenthal homered for the White Sox).

New York	3	11	0
Cleveland	2	6	2

(R. Johnson and Chapman homered for the Yankees and Glenn for the Indians. Eleven innings).

Philadelphia	10	17	1
St. Louis	5	11	2

U.S. CONSUL TO TOSS THE FIRST BALL OF SEASON

Club De Recreio Meet Brewery In The Opener

(By "Binglo")

Caroline Hill will resound to the reverberations of a grandstand filled with stentorian partisans to-day at 2.30 p.m., when Club de Recreio clashes with Union Brewery in the opening game of the Baseball League season. Mr. Addison E. Southard, Consul General of the United States of America, will toss the first ball, as he did last year.

Admission into the stand will be fifty cents for adults, and twenty cents for children. However, those with membership tickets may see every League game of the season.

The Brewers did not make much of a showing last Sunday when they tossed out the Mindanao squad, 6 to 5, but Captain Dave Leonard will strengthen his forces for to-day's important tussle. The Beermen need a pitcher—badly!

Although the Rambling Rees will be without the services of shortstop A. V. Goanoo and infielder Nick Beltrao, who are at present in Manila representing Hongkong in the realm of soccer, they still have enough letter-men from last season to make a good showing.

PREDICTION DIFFICULT
It would be difficult to predict the winner, this being the first game of the campaign when soup bones are somewhat rusty and batting eyes aren't what they might be later on. Union Brewers have been given the edge by almost all the dopesters. But, I reckon the Portuguese lads are no slouches, either: they made a splendid showing last season, and they have played together as a team these past three years.

Johnny Alvarez, Spotty Pereira and Charlie Figueroa are the Beermen's battery; while the Brewers must rely on hurlers Madsen Arculli, he with the fancy wind-up; Lefty Joe "Louis" Brown; and versatile Dave Leonard and Hal Wince.

"Obch" Arculli behind the plate. The Beermen have discovered a pitcher in Paul Botelho who, although a rookie, is reputed to be the possessor of a speedball.

On the strength of these batteries, I give the edge to the Rambling Rees, who came through with flying colours in the recent softball campaign.

TO-MORROW'S GAME
To-morrow's double header begins when the Chinese Baseball Club tangles with U.S.S. Mindanao in the curtain puller at 10 a.m.

Six of the Chung Hwa lads have left these parts: Mentor Abe Liu is now in Honolulu; catcher Bill Lo, in school at Yunnanfu; shortstop Bobby Jan is a fresh at the University of California at Berkeley, California; second baseman Tuffy Chinn is slinging hash at Rhode Island; outfielder Bill Kwong is somewhere in the States; and outfielder Sammy Wong is at school in Honolulu.

New members of the Club are Bill Woo, of Montreal, Canada, who will be seen in action at the initial sack; Denham Cray, shortstop of the Midgets, will play his first game of baseball at the hot corner; and Ray Chang, flashy second sacker of the Midgets, at rightfield. There is a

Golf Foursomes Won By Robson, Burton

London, May 5.

The £1,000 Professional Golf Foursomes replay at Birmingham over 18 holes to-day was won by Burton and Robson, who went round in 71. Henry Cotton and Shepard had 75 while Cox and Topping aggregated 79.—Reuter.

possibility that Wilbur Woo, brilliant first baseman of the victorious Pul Ching Academy nine, will also turn out.

Ruel, dippydo artist on the Mindanao, will hold forth on the slab for the sailors, with two backstops available: Chase and Thomas. The probable line-up of the tars will be: Ruel, p; Cavanaugh or Chase, 2b; McCormick, 3b; Dew and Horton, ss; Wright, lf; Wilson, cf; Terry, rf; and Todd, utility.

The battery of Earl Wong or Wally Ching and Nip Lum should hold the sailors. Earl has had two seasons under fire on the hillock, and has increased his weight by twenty pounds since last year, and should be a real menace with his uncanny control.

HONGKONG V. S.C.A.A.
Hongkong Baseballers cross bats with South China Athletic Association in the nightcap at 11.30 a.m. Although I understand that the latter are not yet ready to play, there'll be a game out there, anyway.

The South China squad comprise the "Overseas Chinese" organisation of last season, who played a couple of charity games with an All-Hongkong team and the Chinese Baseballers. They will be led by veteran C. C. Lee, whose hurling some ten years ago gained him fame in the Class A League back home.

Hongkong Baseballers have only a scratch team at present, but should get going before very long. Phil Delaney, of Pan American Airways, who distinguished himself on the mound in scholastic competition, is turning out, and new and young blood will be injected into this gang of granddads with the inclusion of a few newcomers from the States.

This will be anybody's game!

LEAGUE SCHEDULE
The following is the remainder of the League programme:

C.B.C. v H.K.B.C.	May 13	2.30 p.m.
U.B. v Mindanao	14	10.00 a.m.
Recreio v S.C.A.A.	14	11.30 a.m.
C.B.C. v U.B.	20	2.30 p.m.
Mindanao v H.K.B.C.	21	10.00 a.m.
Recreio v S.C.A.A.	21	11.30 a.m.
U.B. v S.C.A.A.	27	2.30 p.m.
C.B.C. v Recreio	28	10.00 a.m.
H.K.B.C. v U.B.	28	11.30 a.m.
H.K.B.C. v C.B.C.	29	2.30 p.m.
Recreio v Mindanao	4	10.00 a.m.
Mindanao v C.B.C.	4	11.30 a.m.
U.B. v Recreio	11	10.00 a.m.
Mindanao v H.K.B.C.	11	11.30 a.m.
C.B.C. v H.K.B.C.	17	2.30 p.m.
Recreio v S.C.A.A.	18	10.00 a.m.
H.K.B.C. v U.B.	18	11.30 a.m.
Recreio v H.K.B.C.	24	2.30 p.m.



From "Seattle Star"

"Capt. Foster" Selects The Following:

(By "Captain Foster")

There are nine races down for to-day's meeting and my selections are as follows:

MOUNT COUGH HANDICAP

Rose Emily, Peaceful View, Forgotten Star

MOUNT DAVIS HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Markman, Rose Jane, King Kong

BRISBANE SPRING HANDICAP

Lucky Lad, Strathroy, Lancashire Chips

MOUNT DAVIS HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Rose-Queen, Bright View, Blaise

HUNCHBACKS PLATE

Some Hope, Sea Horse, Green Bay

CHARTERS TOWERS HANDICAP

Blandford, King's Privilege, Criffel

TAIMOSHAN HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION)

Strathbannock, This Time, Delko

CANTERBURY PARK HANDICAP

Bruno, Emerald Lad, Ruby Star

TAIMOSHAN HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION)

Millcay, Starlet, Sports Venture

DAILY DOUBLE EVENT

Some Hope / Strathbannock

Selections Made By "Early Bird"

The following selections are made by "Early Bird" of the S. C. M. Post:

1st Race

Hectic View, English Cavalier, Rose Emily

2nd Race

Rose Jane, Markman, Scenic View

3rd Race

Lucky Lad, Strathroy, Triumphant Day

4th Race

Rose Queen, Laughing Girl, Blaise

5th Race

Some Hope, Sea Horse, Heddon

6th Race

Blandford, King's Privilege, Criffel

7th Race

Strath Bannock, Double Chance, Coronation Day

8th Race

Bruno, Baffin Bay, Sydney Lad

9th Race

Millcay, Wilber, Guinness Time

DAILY DOUBLE

Some Hope / Strathbannock

Lawn Bowls League Begins In Earnest This Afternoon

Full Programme Of Games In All Three Divisions

(By "Abe")

At long last the weather looks promising enough, at the time of writing, to encourage the hope that the Lawn Bowls League will be able to start in earnest this afternoon. For three weeks in succession rain has prevented lawn bowlers from enjoying their usual Saturday afternoon matches, but it is almost certain now that a full programme will be played to-day.

Some interesting matches are down for decision. The Club de Recreio "A" last year's champions, visit the Police R.C. and should start their programme with a victory. They would appear to be a better-balanced team than the guardians of the law, but the advantage of home green may enable the Police to be quite close at the finish.

The Craigengower C.C. go to Kowloon Docks for their game to-day. The Dock rinks have been changed quite a bit this season, and one hesitates to give an opinion of their prospects. They will have to play better than usual, however, if they are to beat the Happy Valley club this afternoon.

Recreio "B" are at home to the Kowloon C.C., runners-up last season. Though the Portuguese do not look too formidable on paper, they may do quite well against the K.C.C., who are not as strong as they were last season.

Though they have more or less the same team as they did last year, the Indians cannot look forward to their encounter with the Kowloon B.C.C. on the latter's ground without some trepidation. Never a really good side while away from their home green, the Indians will probably find the Kowloon B.C.C. a bit too much, especially as this is their first match. The programme of matches is:

First Division

Kowloon B.C.C.	v.	Indians
Kowloon Dock	v.	Craigengower
Police	v.	Recreio A
Recreio B	v.	Kowloon C.C.

Second Division

Craigengower	v.	Kowloon B.C.C.
Kowloon F.C.	v.	Civil Service
Kowloon Tong	v.	Hongkong F.C.
Police	v.	Talkoo

Third Division

Craigengower	v.	Recreio
Kowloon B.C.C.	v.	Kowloon F.C.
Yacht Club	v.	Kowloon C.C.
Kowloon F.C.	v.	Electric

PLAYERS SELECTED

First Division	
Kowloon B.C.C.	Indians
W. L. Walker	A. H. Rumjahn
T. E. Robson	A. Baker
J. C. Gill	A. O. Madar
A. M. Holland	M. R. Abbas
P. Cheesman	J. Hoosen
S. M. White	S. M. Rumjahn
W. S. Drake	A. R. Min
W. Macfarlane	A. K. Min
A. S. Russell	D. M. Khan
L. A. R. Duncan	A. M. Wahab
A. Hall	M. Y. Adal
R. Duncan	A. R. Dallah
Kowloon Dock	Craigengower
P. B. Parks	J. W. Leonard

REHEARSAL FOR DAVIS CUP MATCH

Coombe And Malfroy Beat Hare, Wilde

London, May 5.

The men's doubles semi-final in the Bournemouth hardcourt tennis championships to-day was a probable rehearsal for next week's Davis Cup doubles between Great Britain and New Zealand.

To-day New Zealand triumphed, Coombe and Malfroy beating Charles Hare and F. H. D. Wilde by 6-4, 6-2. In the women's semi-final doubles, Miss Brown and Miss Rita Jarvis beat the holders, Miss Dearman and Miss Ingram, by 6-3, 9-7.

In the semi-finals of the women's singles, Mrs. Ellis (formerly Senorita Anita Lizana) beat Miss Margot Lumb by 6-3, 8-6, while Miss Kathleen Stammers beat Miss Margaret Scriven 7-5, 6-0.—Reuter.

Northants Defeat The Light Blues

London, May 5.

Northants, defeated Cambridge University at cricket by 78 runs in the match which concluded to-day.

Northants scored 361 (Brookes 114) and 215 for three wickets declared (Timms 103 not out), while the Light Blues made 254 (Merritt seven for 69) and 244 (Merritt five for 62).—Reuter.

M. Ferguson	K. M. Omar
R. Lapsley	A. E. Coates
J. C. Brown	D. W. Bradbury
J. V. Ramsay	A. A. Rastack
W. I. McMaster	W. Ward
R. Morrison	A. M. Omar
S. Gray	U. M. Omar
A. M. Calman	J. S. Landolt
H. G. Cooper	C. T. Souza
J. Kempton	C. B. Rossiolet
F. Cullen	H. Bass
Police	Recreio A
	C. M. Silva
	F. V. Ribeiro

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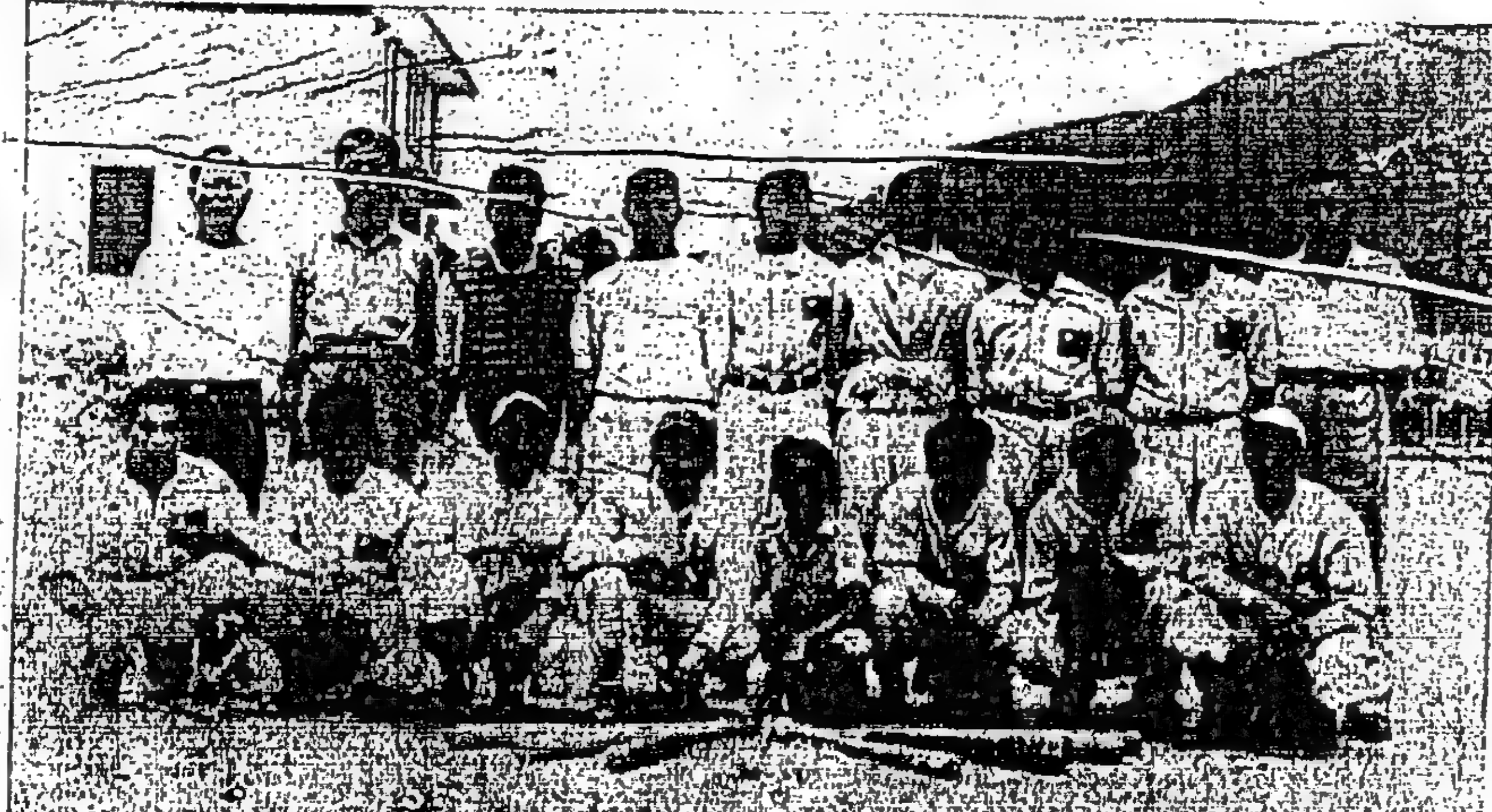
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SERVICES FANCIED TO BEAT CIVILIANS

Annual Hockey Match Arranged For King's Park To-morrow

(By "The Pilgrim")

There should be a good game at King's Park to-morrow between the Civilians and the Services, and if the weather is really kind there will be quite a good crowd to witness this annual hockey struggle for the honours of the year.

This match, year after year, has always proved to be something different from other games. Both teams are at present on equal terms, having each won and drawn a game.

Unquestionably the Services' team is a powerful force and apt. The inclusion of Lt. Pritam Nath in the centre, E. R. A. Gemmal in his correct position at inside right, and Nerrain Singh at inside left adds striking and shooting power to the Services' attack. And behind them are three lively tackling halves in Dilnot, Lt. Hook and Lt. Firth.

Look at these six players which way you may and you cannot but admit that they look sufficiently formidable to beat the Civilians.

But paper theory is one thing and practical demonstration is another. I consider that the Civilians and Services' backs about equal in ability, with a slight preference for the latter pair. Osman, the goalkeeper, we know to be a marvel when he has his back to the wall, and U. B. Souza, the Civilians' custodian, is equal to him in many respects.

IMPORTANCE OF HALVES

When we consider the respective halves, one is also greatly impressed with the skill of the Civilians trio. R. J. Reed, W. A. Reed and N. Whitley. It is a truism to say that the attack depends greatly on the work of the halves. If the latter play badly, forwards, even the best of them, cannot pull out their highest skill. They are mainly dependent on the halves for support, and have to receive the right passes and given the correct openings in order to get goals. Though the Services' attack seems to have greater power, more "fire"

Probables For The Jubilee Stakes

London, May 5.
The following are the probable starters and jockeys for the Jubilee Stakes:
Antonym (Tucker), Black Speck (Caralake), Challenge (E. Smith), Bistolfi (Harry Wragg), Portmarnock (Jones), Golden Sovereign (Beady), Glenlow (Pat Beasley), Bombay Duck (Lowry), Pappagene II (Perryman), Couvert (Smileke), Heston II (Weston), Domaha (Gordon Richards), and Nosegay (Mayer).
Reuter.

Army Football

HEAVY BATTERY WIN LEAGUE FINAL MATCH

The final of the Army League took place at Sookunpoo yesterday and resulted in a win for the 24th Heavy Battery R.A. who defeated 27th Company, R.A.M.C. by four goals to one.

At the conclusion of the game the prizes were presented by The General Officer Commanding, Major-General A. E. Grasett, M.C., who gave a special word of praise to W.O. Austin of the A.E.C. who has been Hon. Secretary to the League during the past two seasons.

A small, but enthusiastic crowd was present at the game and there was great vocal competition between the rival supporters throughout.

The Medicals won the toss, but little was gained by this and for some time after the start play was mainly in mid-field. The R.A. were a much bigger side and took full advantage of their height when the ball was in the air.

The R.A. took the lead after a free kick when A. Smith made the mistake of coming too far out of his goal and Rankin was able to lob the ball into goal. Shortly afterwards they were put two up, Hodgson sending in a ground shot which Smith should have saved.

After the interval the Medicals attacked strongly and only a grand save by Minshall when Pym was clean through prevented them scoring.

R.A. went further ahead when Marshall worked his way through to beat Smith.

The Medicals obtained their solitary point when Garnde sent a long pass to Parkin who sent across to Mayhew to score.

Just before the final whistle Findlay notched a fourth point for the R.A.
R.A.—Minshall; Bullen, W. Taylor; Hill, Rankin; Beaton; Marshall, Atkins, Findlay, Sumner and Hodgson.
R.A.M.C.—Smith; Wheeler, Levington; Garnde, Barnsley, Florence; Mayhew, Roe, Pym, R. C. Smith and Parkin.



Sonja Henie, more dazzling than ever, turns romance in the young American way as queen of a college campus in "My Lucky Star," 20th Century-Fox picture which co-stars Richard Greene. The picture is now being shown at the King's Theatre.

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L. Goldman Wins Handicap Singles Final

L. Goldman (—30) yesterday won the Hongkong Cricket Club Handicap Singles tennis when he defeated H. J. Armstrong (—15) 6-2, 6-2. Goldman was not fully extended and in the second set had things very much his own way. Armstrong tried quickly and on occasions made few, if any, attempts to return balls hit wide of him.

Armstrong played a much better brand of tennis than in the final of the Handicap Mixed Doubles, however, and during the first set had Goldman running from corner to corner with many fine placements.

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LATE NEWS

"Raze The City" Warning

Shops throughout Chungking are mostly closed and many proprietors are moving their stocks.

Part of the telephone service has been renewed but there is still no lighting and many telephone wires are still down.

The streets are still clogged with debris, the main thoroughfare being impassable.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has commandeered all private and public automobiles to evacuate civilians.

Chinese reports say that Japanese planes to-day dropped handbills warning that they will "raze the city" in seven days unless it is evacuated.

They did not indicate what action would be taken if the city was evacuated.

Rain has added to the hardships of thousands of homeless. Searchers are still piling up heaps of the dead and searching for gold and silver ornaments. This was later prevented by guards.

The stench is increasing and foreign doctors are fearing epidemics, due to Chungking's abnormal population, now estimated at 2,000,000.—United Press.

Official German View Of Speech

Berlin, May 5. The official view of Colonel Beck's speech was contained in to-night's "Diplomatische Korrespondenz" which rejects Colonel Beck's argument rather in the detailed manner in which Herr Hitler replied to President Roosevelt.

The paper says that Colonel Beck tried to justify the volte face of Polish foreign policy since the end of March, but if Colonel Beck believes he will find comprehension and toleration for this denunciation of the 1934 policy, and for adherence to the British front of encirclement, it must be declared that he is mistaken.

The official news agency issued a version of Colonel Beck's speech to-night, and this is appearing in Saturday's "Boersen Zeitung" under the heading "Beck's Misleading Attempt At Diversion—Denial of German Proposals."

Meanwhile, alleged anti-German incidents in Poland are being reported in increasing numbers in the press. Newspapers assert that a gathering of Poles at Posen paraded a dummy of Hitler, hanging it on gallows, and then staged a demonstration outside the German Consulate, shouting insulting remarks.—Reuter.

Japan Out Of Davis Cup

TOYOYO, May 6. The war-time strain has compelled Japan to refrain from participating in the Davis Cup tourney this year. Jiro Yamaguchi, Japan's No. 1 player, has volunteered for service in the Navy and has successfully passed the entrance examination for the Naval Paymasters' School.—Domei.

Time For Finesse Passed—Beck

WARSAW, May 5.—In response to repeated demands by demonstrators outside the Polish Foreign Office, Colonel Beck appeared on the balcony and made a short speech. He said that the time for diplomatic finesse was past, and the whole country must have a determined attitude.—Reuter.

Social Items

The Army Teachers' Club End-of-Season Dinner will be held at Cafe Wistman on May 9, at 8 p.m.

His Excellency the Governor will give an official dinner party at Government House, at 8.15 p.m. on Thursday.

The Police Branch of the M.C.L. will hold their next Bridge and Mah-jong Drive at the Police Recreation Club on Tuesday at 3 p.m. Admission is \$1, including tea.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced.—Mr. Angel Antonio Chuan y Achay, merchant, to Miss Cheung Chim-chim, of 77 Tainan Street, Shamshui; and Mr. Ho Tak-ming, broker, to Miss Lee Tsui-ming, of 98, Lockhart Road.

The death occurred in Yokohama recently of Mrs. E. Dolmatoff at the age of 65. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. V. Alexeev, and two sons, Mr. E. Dolmatoff, of Yokohama, and Mr. D. Dolmatoff, of Kobe.

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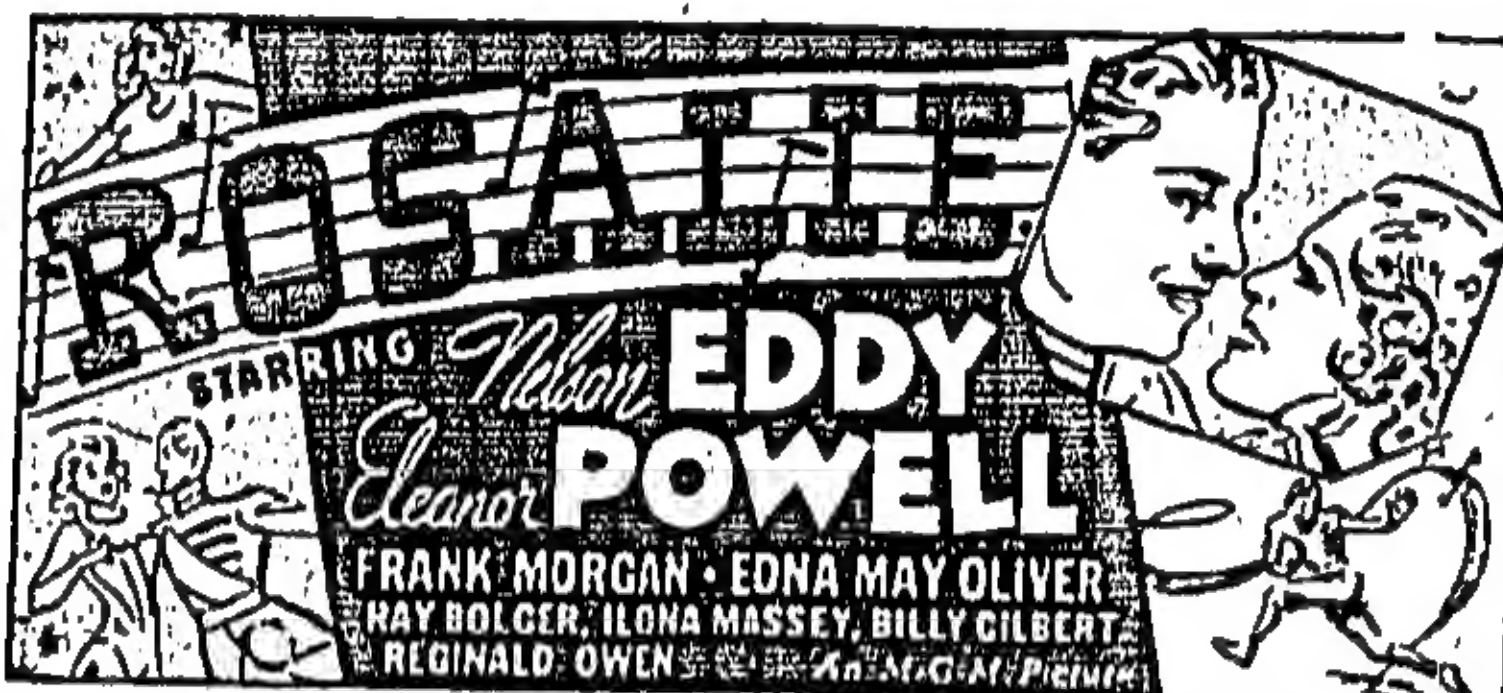
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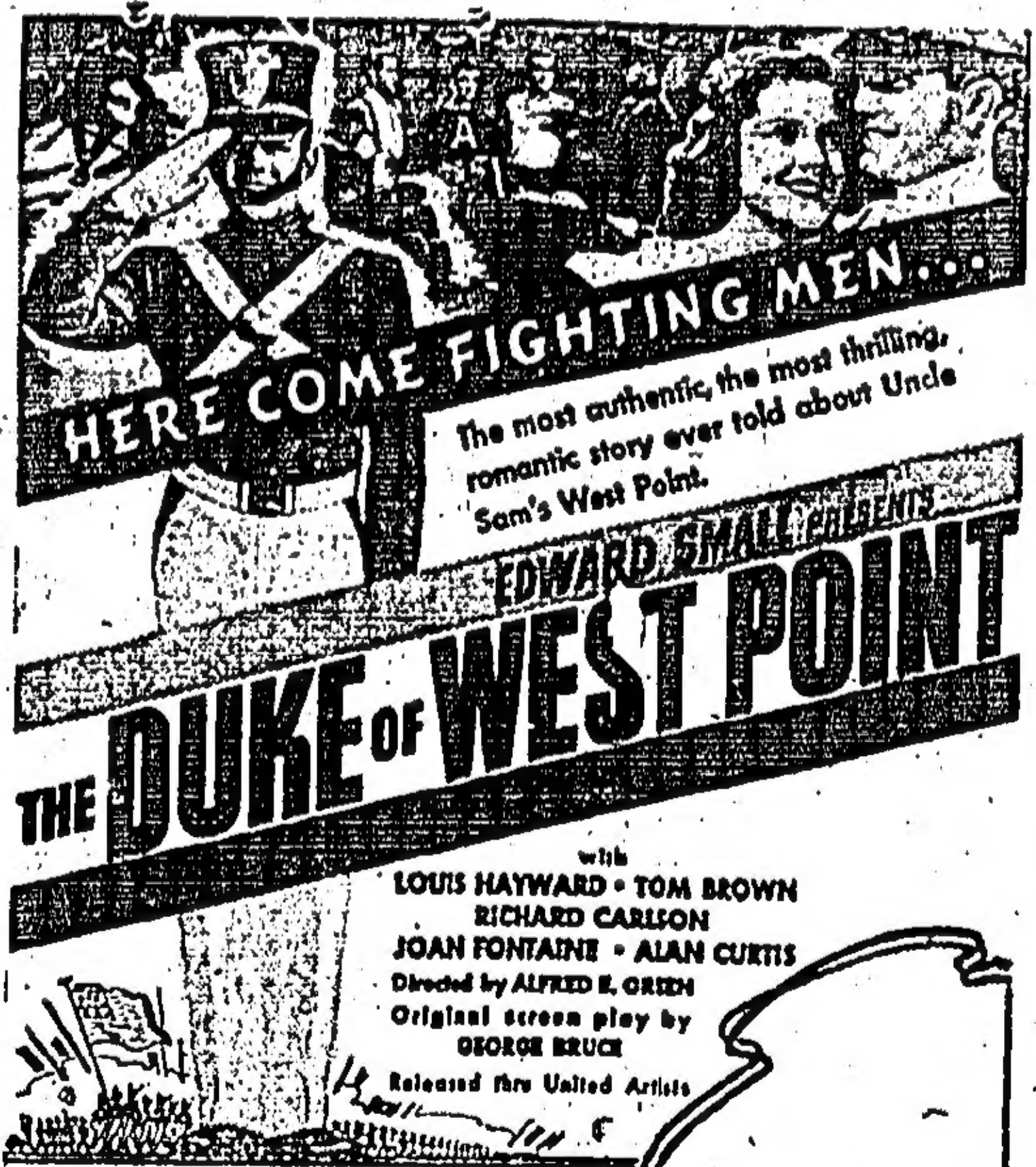
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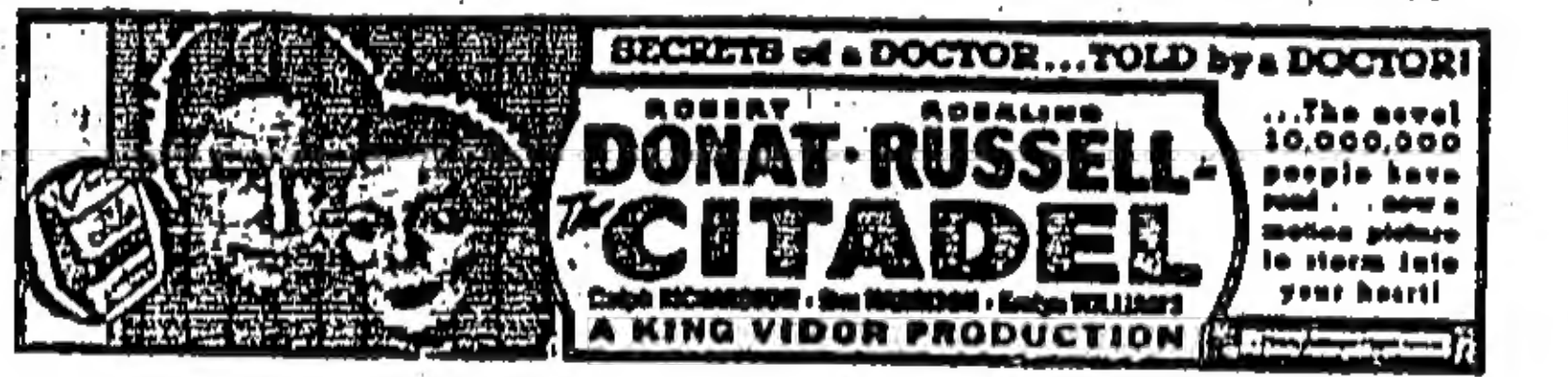
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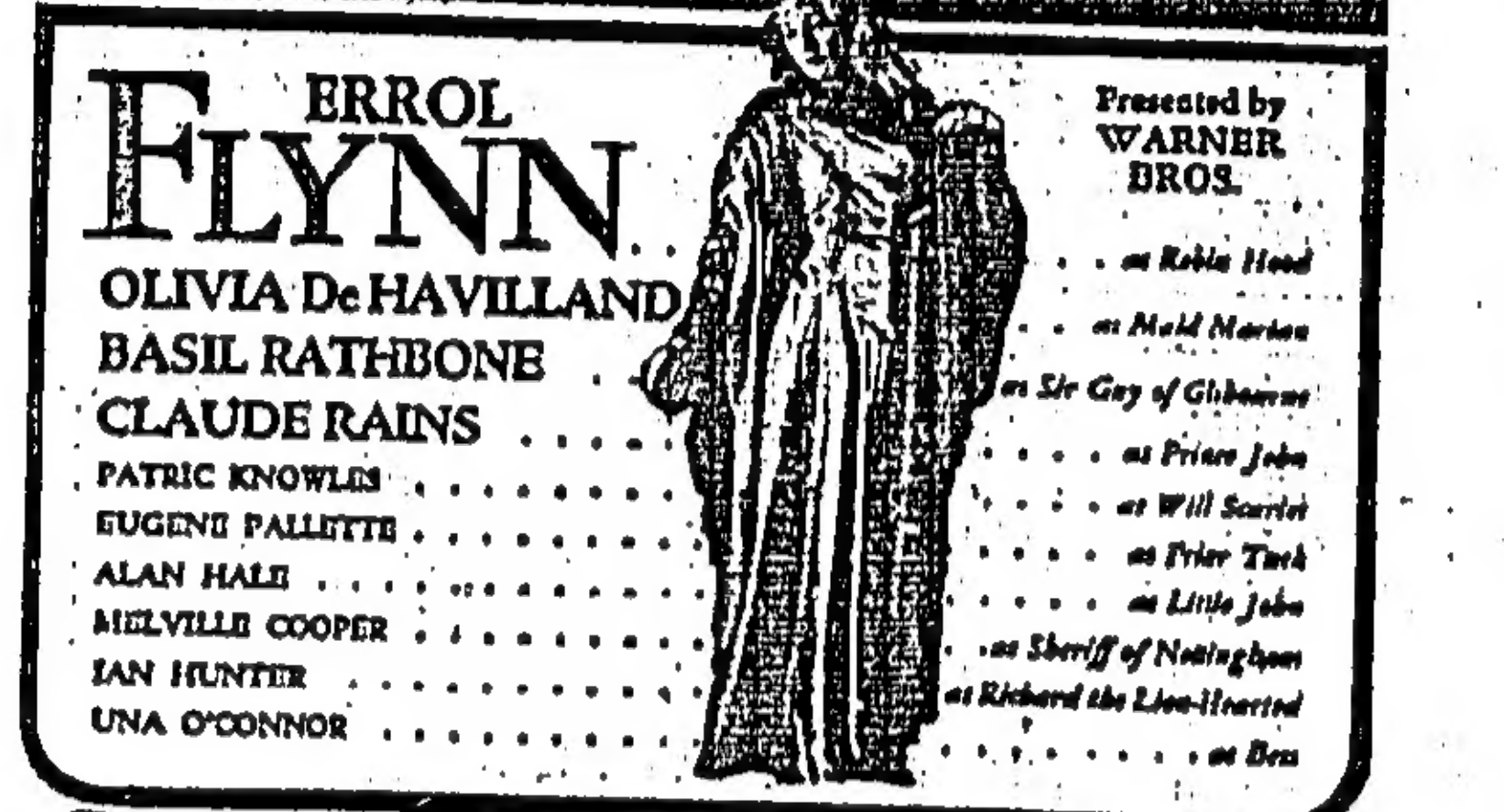
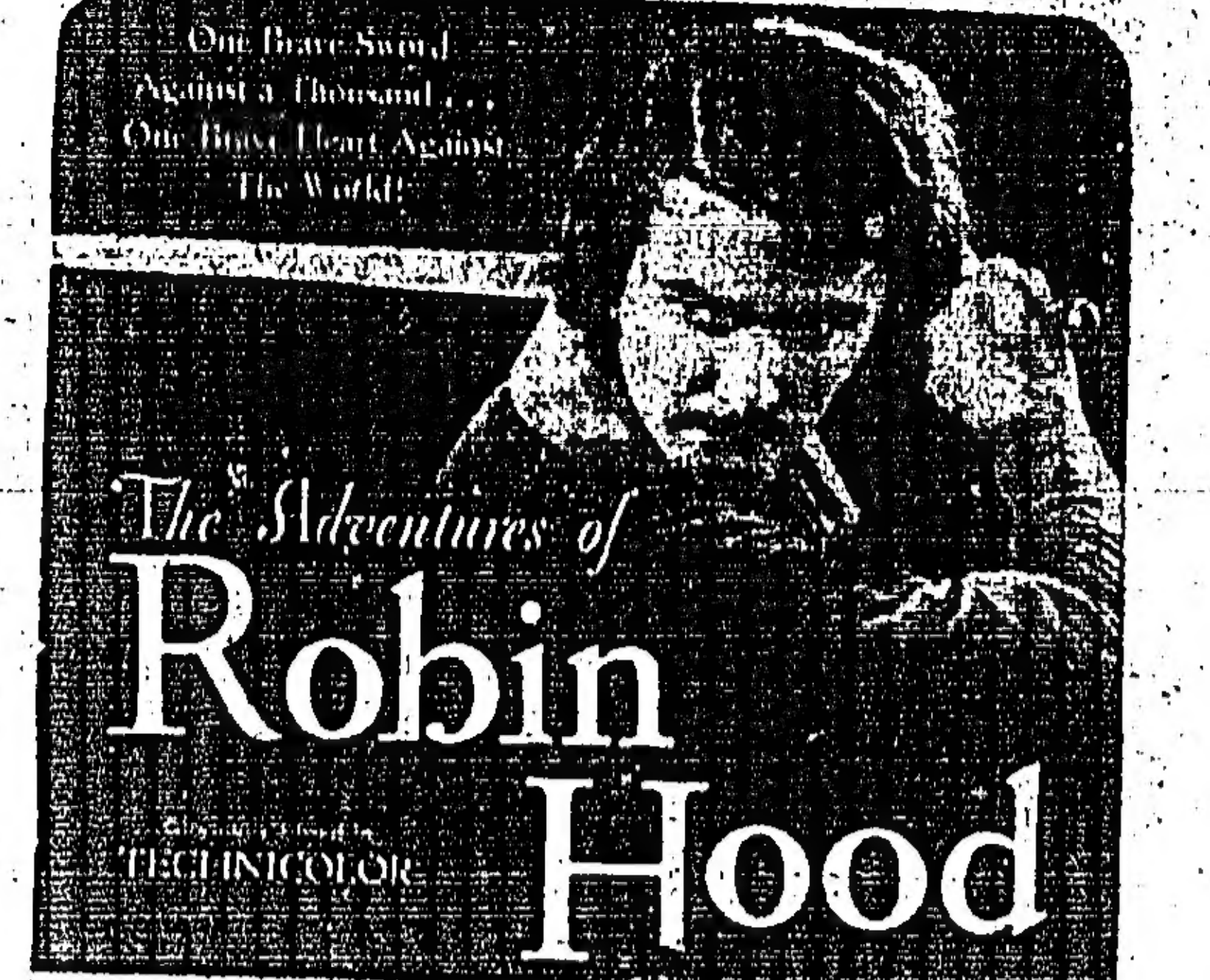


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